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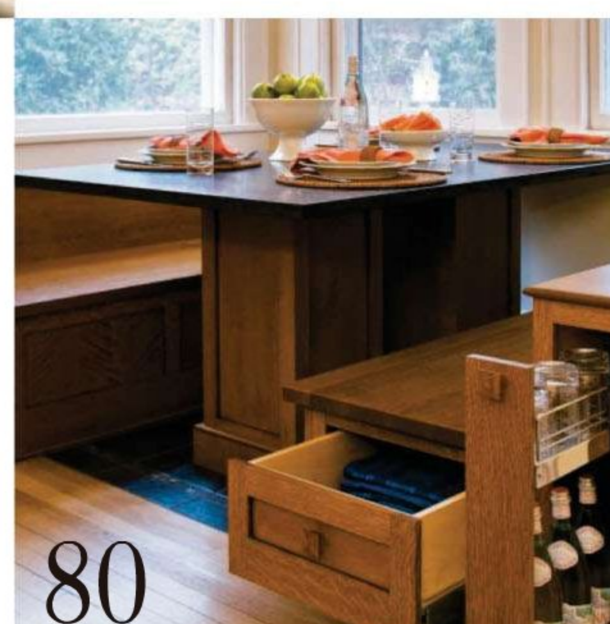


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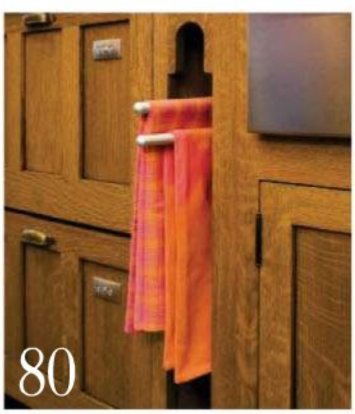
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Material Evidence

Having written about kitchens for many years, I'll come clean and reveal that on not infrequent occasions, in the course of interviewing homeowners and designers, I've found they often paint a rosier-than-reality picture of their remodeling experience. Who can blame them? After enduring the stress and the mess that are common to all building projects, everyone wants to end up with their ultimate kitchen or dream bath. But regrettably, when the job is complete, it's often apparent that the room's storage is not up to snuff.

Recently, I was impressed by a little exercise in material editing that Henrik Otto, Senior Vice President of Global Design at Electrolux, described. It seems like a great way to cull the clutter before you begin to plan your storage needs. Take the contents of your kitchen—utensils, pots and pans, cook's tools, even countertop appliances—out of the cabinets and put it into boxes. Over the course of a week, whenever any of this temporarily exiled equipment is used, transfer it back into a cupboard or drawer. In seven days, you'll have proof of what items you actually use (and need to store) in your kitchen. Clever!


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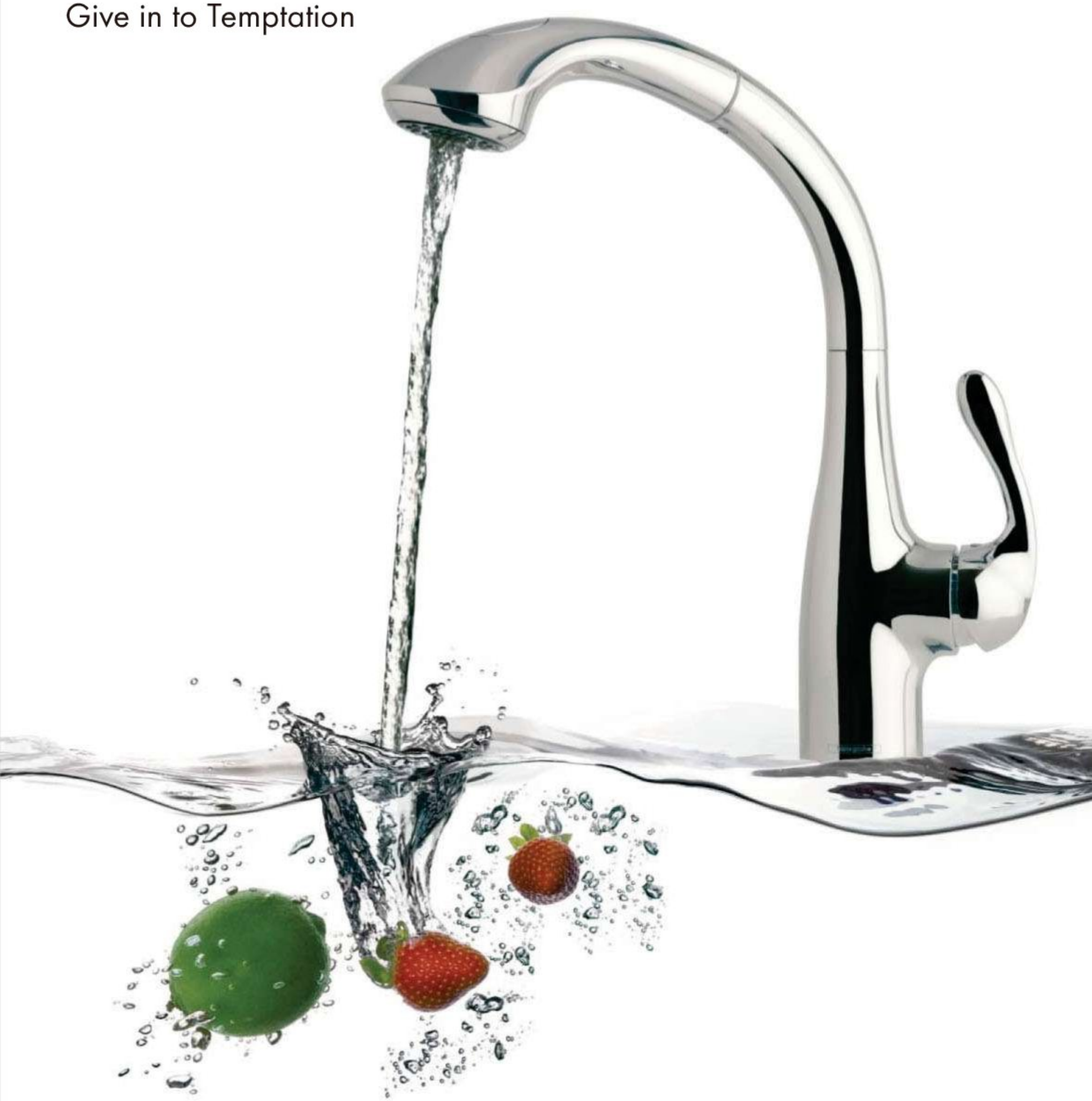
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Dear Reader,

This issue of *Kitchens & Baths* is devoted to something we all can't get enough of: storage. Whether achieved by knocking down walls and annexing square footage, installing clever organizing accessories in cabinets and on shelves, or through the simple act of eliminating clutter, creating additional space for the stuff in our homes is a never-ending task.

Have you remodeled or rearranged a kitchen or bath to gain more turf? If so, I'd love to see the results and will publish the best of your projects in future issues. E-mail me photos or write to me at Woman's Day Special Interest Publications, 1633 Broadway, 42nd floor, New York, NY 10019. (All photos must be at least 300 dpi.) I can't wait to hear from you!

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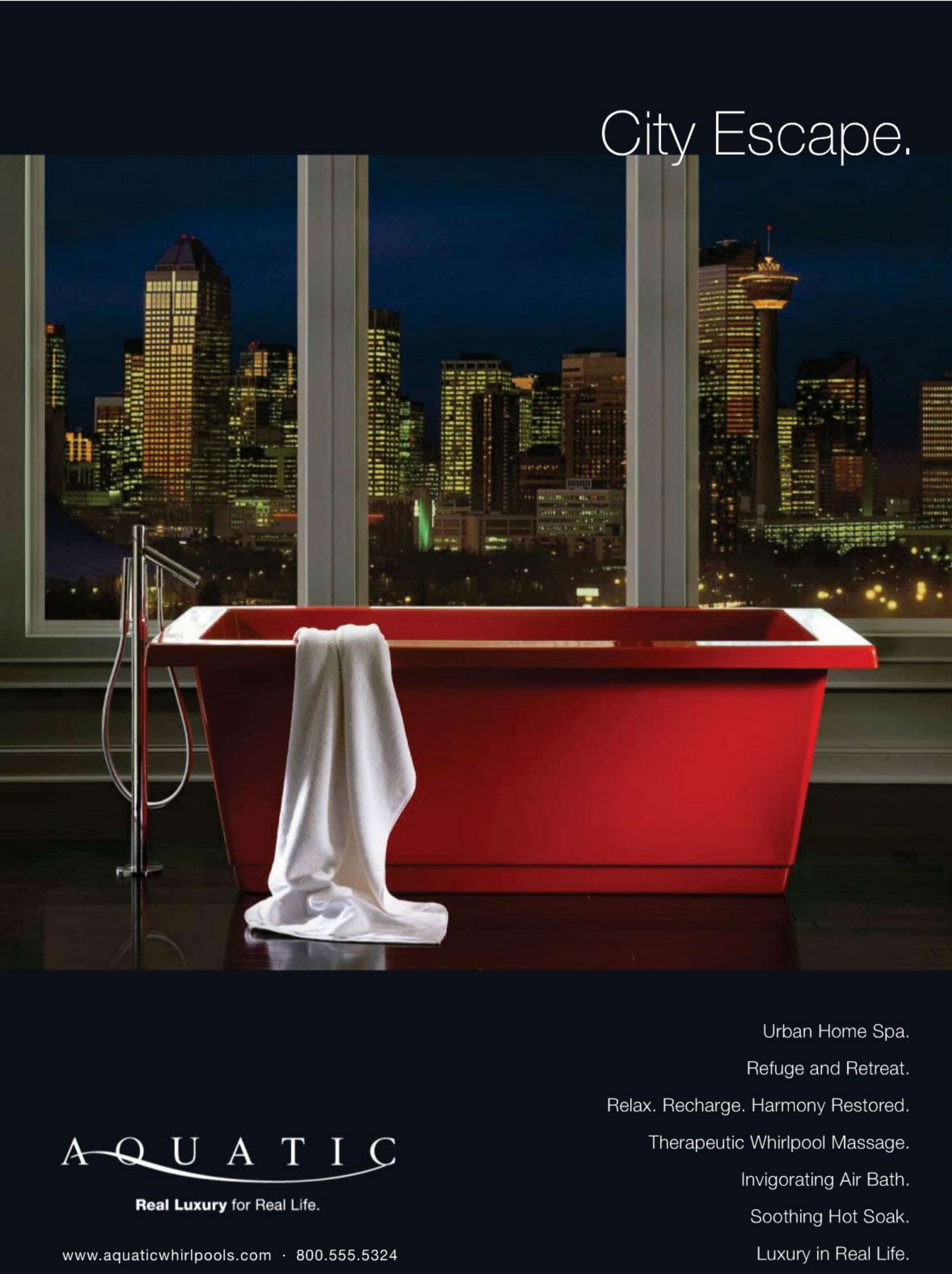
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The Avant-Garde one-piece toilet from AquAvanti performs the same essential function but with what style! It has a dual-flush system, with sculpted, stacked orbs replacing the traditional tank. Made of vitreous china with a smooth, stain-resistant surface. $2,399. 877-500-7465; *aquavanti-us.com*.



AGE-OLD CHARM
The 1.2-cubic-foot Northstar microwave, convection oven, and grill boasts retro styling, lots of chrome and a choice of eight bright colors. $750. 800-295-8498; *elmirastoveworks.com*.





SILVER BELLE

A hand-hammered copper sink with a brushed nickel finish? Sounds contradictory, but it's a fresh option for the Farmhouse Duet two-bowl model by Native Trails. $4,430. 800-786-0862; *nativetrails.net*.



TOP CHEF

With a six-burner gas top, two triple-ring wok burners, and two electric ovens (one convection, the other multifunction), the Paragon stove recreates a professional cooking experience for the home. Thoughtful details include single-hand ignition and a sleek stainless finish. $4,995. 519-650-5775; *heartlandappliances.com*.



CLEAN MACHINE

Stylish and eco-friendly, Whirlpool's Aspen Green Duet Steam washer uses 73 percent less water and 77 percent less energy than conventional top-loaders. The matching dryer rids clothes of odors and wrinkles without chemicals and sanitizes without bleach. Washer, $1,500; dryer, $1,200. *whirlpool.com*.



LUSCIOUS LAV

Thirties-era glamour inspired Michael S. Smith's For Town console, shown with a Nero Marquina marble top and legs finished in silver nickel. A stucco white basin with nickel-silver lever handles completes the look. As shown, $5,380. 888-452-5547; *kallista.com*. ◆

PORTFOLIO

san francisco treat



Gioi Tran dishes about why he approaches kitchens like art projects

WRITTEN BY JUDI KETTELER

The goal for this large kitchen was to create an intimate living space—not just a utilitarian box—for a family of four. Kitchen designer Gioi Tran, of Applegate Tran Interiors in San Francisco, worked with the homeowners to design a warm, contemporary room full of visual contrasts.



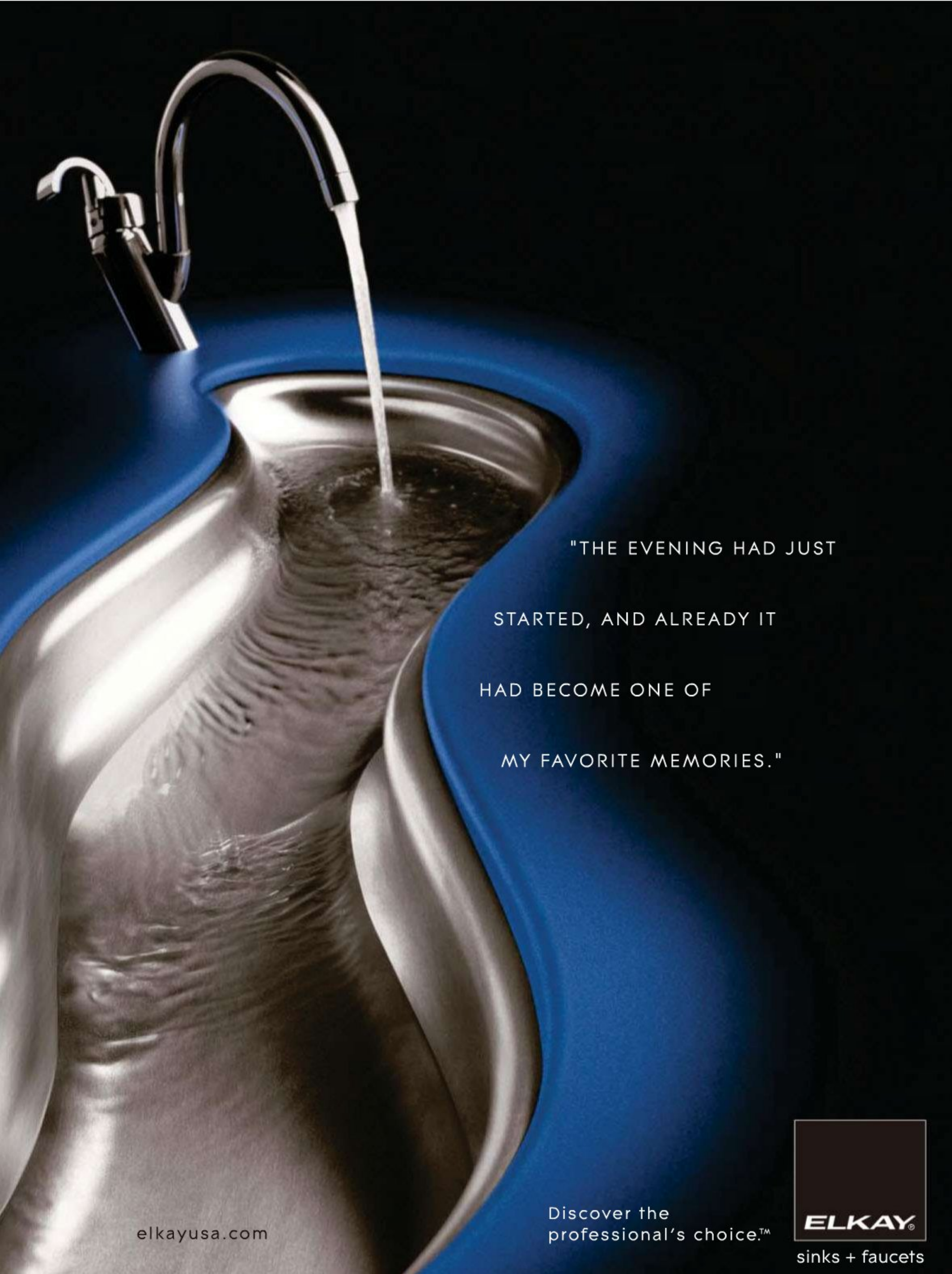
Q&A

◆ **WHAT INSPIRED THIS ARTSY KITCHEN?** I looked at it like a 3-D art project, with negative and positive spaces, sculptural elements, and studies in line and form. The cabinets hang on the wall like sculpture. We played with the idea of line by doing the drawer pulls asymmetrically. Every element in the kitchen is connected to that vision.

◆ **YOU USED GRANITE, MARBLE, STAINLESS STEEL, CONCRETE AND SEVERAL TYPES OF WOOD. WHY SUCH A VARIETY OF MATERIALS?** The homeowners wanted lots of contrasts, like wood against stone, and light against dark. So we did things like using light wood on the cabinets against dark wood on the floor.

◆ **WHAT WERE THE CHALLENGES OF DESIGNING SUCH A LARGE SPACE?** Big islands can be barriers, so we had to think carefully about traffic flow for different scenarios such as two people cooking, kids in the kitchen, and entertaining. I created zones—a coffee zone (where the built-in coffeemaker is), a kids' zone (the stools at the island) and a prep zone (the island sink). Also, since it was an open floor plan, we chose quiet appliances, because you don't want a noisy dishwasher with guests in the living room.

◆ **WHAT LESSONS CAN OTHER HOMEOWNERS LEARN FROM THIS SPACE?** Regardless of the size of your kitchen and your budget, you need to think about the flow of the space. Even if you don't have room for multiple zones, you can make sure that all the elements are connected in a relationship that works for you. ◆


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half bath

Creative recycling is not only good for the environment but for design, as well. UK-based Reestore has made a mission out of turning trash into funky and functional furniture and accessories. Inspired by a scene in *Breakfast at Tiffany's*, the Max Bathtub Chaise is created from vintage cast-iron tubs upholstered in your choice of fabric. Other items they've converted: shopping carts and wheelbarrows into chairs, washing-machine drums into tables, and PVC piping into lighting. *reestore.com.*

Shell Game

Ekobe uses coconut shells discarded by the food industry to create tiles with an unabashed elegance. Coconut shells are stronger than wood, but since they are part of the fruit, no trees are destroyed when they are harvested. They're also naturally resistant to water and mold. $24 per square foot. *nemotile.com.*





CLEAN GREENS

Although tap water is safe to use and drink, there is concern over what's added to it to keep it that way, mainly excessive chlorine. Filtering water is the best solution. Moen's ChoiceFlo kitchen faucets offer a clever option: Two waterways in one spout make filtered water available for washing greens or filling a glass, while unfiltered is available for cooking (boiling water automatically eliminates impurities) and cleaning up. Bonus: The filter lasts longer. *moen.com.* ◆

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Stylish and smart storage options

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tidy *tips*

Don't let your messy kitchen be a recipe for disaster. Get clutter under control with these helpful hints from Liz Witts of HGTV's *Mission: Organization*.

◆ **TAKE STOCK** When in doubt, throw it out. Clean out your refrigerator once a week. Get rid of expired food and leftovers you know you'll never eat.

◆ **COUNTER ATTACK** Is that pasta maker or other appliance you thought you couldn't live without collecting dust on your countertop? Store away anything you don't use on a daily basis.

◆ **NEW HEIGHTS** Think vertically. Utilize every inch of your shelves with clear, stackable storage containers and tiered racks. ◆



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HOT PICK
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If your idea of a dishwasher is a scrubbing pad and dish soap—or a rattling machine that jangles your nerves—then it's time to head to the appliance department. You'll find a new breed of dishwashers that makes cleanup a snap. Not only are the latest machines quieter, they use less water and less energy to operate. Here's what to look for when shopping.

DETERMINE YOUR STYLE

With few exceptions, all dishwashers measure 24 inches in width and depth, a configuration that works well with stock cabinetry, explains George Simadiris, vice president of engineering for appliance manufacturer Dacor. For those with room to spare—or lots of dishes to wash—there are 30-inch wide models from manufacturers like Dacor and Bosch. These larger dishwashers simply hold more dishes—in the case of Dacor, 20 place settings instead of the typical 10.

For those with limited space, there are several 18-inch wide models on the market from manufacturers like Miele and Avanti. There are also several drawer-style units (Fisher & Paykel and KitchenAid offer them) that can be placed anywhere in the kitchen a drawer can go as long as there's a water connection nearby. It's the flexibility of these units that has designers raving. Stephanie Witt, CMKBD, of Kitchens by Stephanie, a Grand Rapids, Michigan–based kitchen design firm, likes how they can be installed just below the counter, a height that makes them easy to load and unload. "There's no bending involved," she says.

THINK ABOUT FINISH

Size is simply the starting point. You'll also want to consider how your dishwasher will fit the look of your kitchen. For example, do you want to see the appliance and, if so, what style fits your design aesthetic? "Stainless steel is still a popular choice," says Witt. "But I'm also seeing several colored options from companies like Viking and Dacor." If you prefer your appliances to be invisible, look for an integrated model which can be fit with a panel to match your cabinetry.

While the design of the door plays a big role in how your machine looks, so do the configuration of the controls. Lower-priced models still feature manual controls (often dials or buttons) across the front of the door. Newer designs have electronic buttons and on more expensive models the controls will often be found on the top edge of the door. "When the door is closed you don't see them," says Les Petrie, CMKBD and owner of Mother Hubbard's Custom Cabinetry, a Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania-based kitchen and bath design company. "It really is a sleek look."

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HOT PICK

Maytag's Jet Clean III dishwasher has all of the popular features—high-pressure spray jets designed to remove even the crustiest baked-on messes, seven wash cycles and a sturdy stainless steel tub. And don't overlook the handy third rack, which is designed to accommodate odd-shaped items such as casserole dishes, frying pans, bowls and more. The unit is well insulated, so you hardly hear it running. And with three basic color choices—black, white and stainless—there's a look for just about any kitchen. From $499; *maytag.com*.

QUIET, PLEASE

Noise is a big concern for consumers—especially those with older machines. "It's one of the biggest complaints I hear, especially from people who have open-plan kitchens," says Witt. To bring noise levels down to a whisper, manufacturers have bulked up the outer walls of their washtubs with sound-dampening felt, asphalt padding or fiberglass insulation. They've also installed smaller motors and pumps to reduce the rumbling. Newer models, adds Petrie, also have extra-quiet motors and vibration-absorbing mechanisms. "Sometimes you have to put your hand on the door of the machine just to tell that it's running," he says.

HOT PICK

Available in six sleek hues—Anthracite Gray, Sterling Gray, Titanium Silver, Slate Green, Black and Blue Water (shown), —Dacor's new Preference 24-inch dishwasher has a floating glass exterior that's sure to grab your attention. But hidden controls and a super-quiet cleaning system make it virtually impossible to tell that the machine is even in your kitchen. From $1,699. *dacor.com*.



INVESTIGATE ENERGY USE

Although today's dishwashers are able to hold more dirty dishes, they use less water to get them clean. The most efficient models, says Petrie, clean by recirculating wash water. Special filters remove soil so it's not deposited back on to the dishes, says Simadiris. Read the yellow Energy Guide sticker to determine how much energy a new machine will consume compared to others like it, or to find an estimated yearly operating cost. For the most efficient cleaning, Witt recommends looking for a dishwasher that carries the Energy Star label, a rating from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Energy that identifies appliances that exceed mandated federal energy levels.

The newest energy-saving technology is steam. LG's Energy Star–qualified steam dishwasher is one of the first on the market to feature a built-in generator that converts water into steam, improving not only cleaning performance but also energy efficiency. Instead of water, dishes "soak" in an evenly heated steam that is ideal for both delicate china and heavily soiled pots and pans.

EXPLORE OPTIONS

What really sets today's dishwashers apart from those available as recently as five years ago are the features. At their most basic, dishwashers simply clean the dishes with the push of a button. As you move up in price the cleaning options increase. The newest machines (and often the most expensive) have sensors embedded in the drain area of the tub. These sensors detect the amount of food particles being washed down the drain and adjust wash times, water temperature, and even water usage accordingly. These same machines also have sanitizing settings, cycles that perform a 160°F final rinse that eliminates bacteria, as well as delayed-start options that allow the appliance to be programmed to run at a specified time.

An important feature to consider is capacity. Options like adjustable-height racks add flexibility when you need to load large items or

serving pieces. High-end models also have special baskets, hooks and trays designed specifically for knives, cooking utensils, and other hard-to-place items that could fly around during washing.

Don't forget the interior. Stainless steel tubs are becoming more common and it's not just about the look, explains Simadiris. For one, they're extremely durable—the sleek metal finish resists nicks, stains and odor build-up. "Plastic can't do that," he says. What's more, the natural sheeting action of stainless steel helps reduce drying times, which, in turn, saves energy. ◆



HOT PICK

To match its high-tech cleaning method, LG's new steam dishwasher boasts a sleek stainless exterior and a fully integrated electronic control panel. It also has a built-in disposer to remove food waste, and for added versatility and energy savings, you can wash upper and lower racks individually. Model LDF9810. From $1,599. *lgusa.com*.

good

$250 to $500

At the lower end of this price range, look for a basic built-in unit with mechanical controls and two wash levels (an upper and lower spray arm) and three wash cycles. Inside these units, plastic washtubs and vinyl racks are the norm. As you move up in price, look for an added wash level (often a spray jet) and increased wash cycles. Electronic controls replace manual and porcelain enamel tubs replace plastic.

better

$500 to $1,000

Electronic controls (some hidden on the top edge of the door) allow for fully integrated designs that can blend in with your cabinetry. Wash cycles increase with special settings for china, crystal and quick washes. Improved rack and spray jet layouts provide more loading flexibility. Stainless steel tubs replace porcelain enamel tubs as you move up in price.

best

$1,000+

If you're shopping for a super-quiet machine or deluxe options, dishwashers in this price range are the ones to consider. Special insulation packages make it difficult to tell when these models are running. Features include extras like pullout cutlery trays that load horizontally instead of vertically and special drying systems that work without venting steam back into the kitchen.

solid favors

Material variation breaks up large banks of cabinets

WRITTEN BY BILL PARTSCH

This space derives classic grandeur from large rectangles of contrasting color, including stainless steel appliances, solid-white cabinets and black granite countertops. Some judicious variation in the design of the cabinets adds visual rhythm to the kitchen—along with storage, of course.



LOOK INSIDE
Switching from solid to glass-front cabinets is a great tedium buster, especially when the cabinets are white. The key is not overdoing the glass; an all-white scheme is stark, but mostly white is pleasant and clean.

MAKING CONTACT
A tall upper cabinet with three drawers rests directly on the countertop. With its extended depth, it teams up with the base cabinet below to effectively function as a short section of wall.

NOT A DIVIDER
The shallow cupboard over the hood is far more valuable as a visual bridge than as storage. It unites the cabinets that flank the range, making it appear as though the hearth were tucked into a slot carved out of a once-solid wall of cabinets.

OPEN FOR PLEASURE
Like glass doors, open shelves break up the solid white, but their contents play more of an active visual role in the kitchen than those in glass-front cabinets. Cookbooks advertise that this space was designed for a serious culinary aficionado.

sound surround

A bath sports smart ideas above, underfoot and on the sides

This elegant remodeled bath overflows with old-fashioned charm. The clawfoot tub, warm alder vanity and Oriental rug provide the core of this room's appeal. Even around the edges, though, are details that greatly enhance both the room and the home.



FAUCET LIFT

Mounting the faucets on the wall not only reinforces the circa-1900 look, it frees up real estate on the vanity top. With the undermount sinks, the faucet-free surface is also aesthetically much cleaner.

CONTINUING STORY

The bath's flooring material continues into the adjacent walk-in closet, emphasizing the seamless flow between the two spaces. The darker wood provides a pleasing foundation for the vanity and golden walls.

PANES IN THE HEADER

Adding a transom over the doorway—and extending the glass along the top of the wall—allows light from the bath to shine into the closet, and vice versa. The glass also reflects some of the ceiling light back into the room

SIDE PROJECT

Locating the filler on the side of the tub means two people can soak comfortably without clanging their heads on the hardware. Because it's on the far side, a person can get in from the near side and not worry about kicking it. ◆


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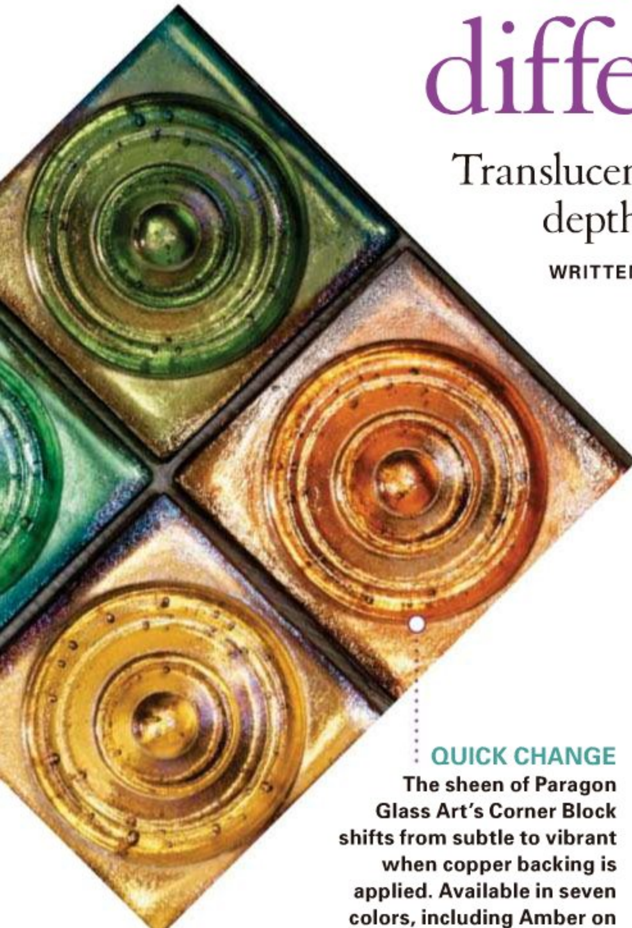
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Translucent color adds depth to glass tile

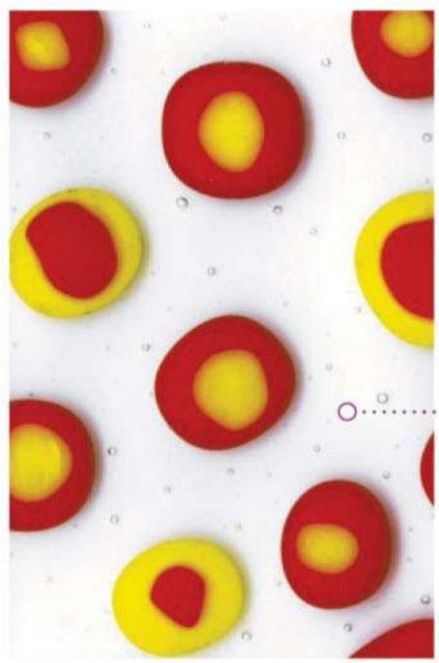
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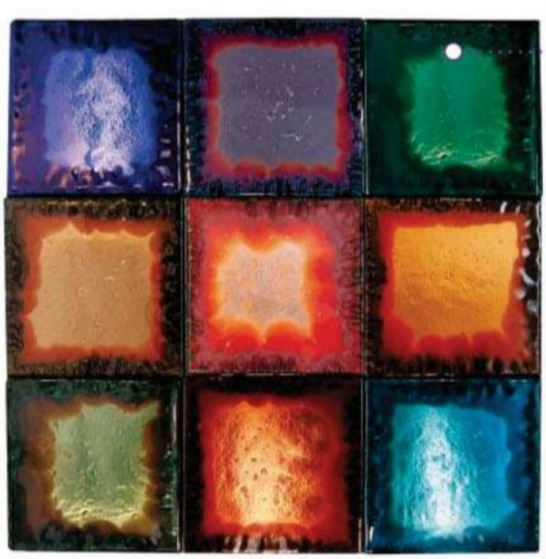
ON THE LEVEL
Profile Plateaus come in three thicknesses—1/4-inch, 3/8-inch and 1/2-inch—so that when the tiles are mixed they form an uneven surface. The varied texture intensifies the color when light hits the tiles. Available in 16 colors, including Sunset and Sequoia (shown). $50 per square foot. 800-278-8453; *annsacks.com*.



QUICK CHANGE
The sheen of Paragon Glass Art's Corner Block shifts from subtle to vibrant when copper backing is applied. Available in seven colors, including Amber on copper (shown). 4×4-inch tile, $15 each. 800-311-9995; *countryfloors.com*.



EYE CANDY
By repeatedly firing opaque and transparent glass, Hue tile gets a multidimensional effect. Its candy-inspired designs look good enough to eat. Available in 12 color combinations, including white/marigold/orange (shown). 4×4-inch tile, $78 each. 800-550-1986; *spectradecor.com*.



SPECIAL EFFECTS
Copper is encased in different colors of glass, then fired to create the brilliant hues of HearthSide. Available in nine colors, including aqua (shown). 4×4-inch tile, $15.50 each. 888-231-4679; *glastile.com*.

ART CLASS
Opaque swirls in each Averturine Lux tile have the look of painterly brushstrokes. Available in nine colors, including Dreamscape (shown). 13×13-inch netted sheet, $18 per square foot. 888-667-2429; *hakatai.com*. ◆






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percent of consumers are taking energy-conserving measures at home.

(WSL Strategic Retail)

This year, remodeling spending will *increase* about



6%

(Reed Construction Data)

In the past two years, requests for outdoor kitchens have increased

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percent.

(National Kitchen & Bath Association)

The first bathtub was made around **1800** b.c. for King Minos. Constructed of clay, it had no drain and needed to be filled and emptied by hand.

(Bath Room Stuff)

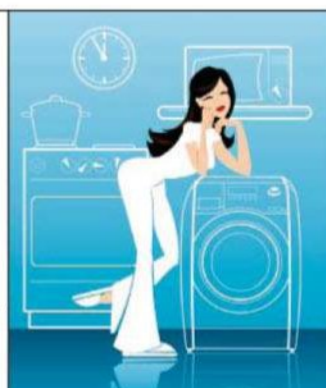
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Projected annual savings we'd reap if every U.S. household replaced and recycled appliances 10 years or older.

(Electrolux EcoSavings Calculator)

Americans saved **170 billion** kilowatt hours of energy in 2006.

(EnergyStar.gov)



we love to nuke:

63%

of us use the microwave more than the cooktop.

(Department of Near Environments at Virginia Tech)

Approximately *104 million* adults say they want a state-of-the-art kitchen.

(Electrolux)

BY 2015 UPSCALE HOMES WILL LIKELY HAVE **two** MASTER BEDROOM SUITES.

(National Association of Home Builders)

Nearly ½ of women and ⅓ of men share the biggest bathroom pet peeve:
not replacing the toilet paper roll when it runs out

(Harris Interactive)

15% of households planned to spend $10,000 or more to remodel their kitchens in 2007.

(Internet Home Alliance)


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14 ways to add storage

WRITTEN BY SUZANNE MORRISSEY



Your kitchen and bath are the hardest-working rooms in your home—and storage is vital. Maximize space with these great ideas for stashing all your essentials.

BATHS

1 **HANG UP.** Over-the-door shoe holders can easily tuck behind a bathroom door to hold extra soaps, brushes and other grooming tools. With lots of pockets, each member of the family can claim their own row.

2 **GRAB A CADDY.** Metal and plastic shower caddies designed to hang over the showerhead can corral an amazing amount of sudsy goods. Look for one with suction cups to prevent swinging.

3 **TOWER OVER CLUTTER.** Built to stand up in a corner of your shower stall or bathtub surround, bath towers usually have a basket for poufs or toys, as well as shelves for bottles and soaps. Some have mini-racks to hang washcloths. These towers require a little assembly, and have a tension rod mechanism for a snug fit.

4 **Climb the walls.** Cut into the wallboard between studs and create a nifty shallow niche to stow toiletries. If you have a big enough cavity behind the wall, install deeper cabinets or drawers into the space, and gain the capacity of a full vanity without losing floor space.

5 **GET A LEDGE UP.** No room for a full-size shelf near the vanity? Hang several photo ledges in a column near the sink to hold bottles and other containers.

6 **OPEN A DRAWER.** Drawer organizers made for desk drawers or even kitchen cutlery can double as cosmetics wranglers in a vanity drawer. Look for expandable versions to make the best use of space, or shallow organizers that stack.

7 **TACKLE THE TOYS.** Have tub toys taken over your once-serene bath area? Vinyl and mesh drawstring bags with suction cups make quick work of storing rubber duckies, plastic boats and other bath-time playthings.

8 **Use the view.** Slim shelves placed in front of a kitchen window turn the space into a storage/display combo. Colorful glassware looks great silhouetted in the sunny spot. You could also use the perch for small pots of herbs.



KITCHENS

9 **DOUBLE UP.** Inexpensive stainless steel or coated-wire stacking shelves can double the storage in your cabinets. Great for keeping various sizes of plates, platters and bowls within easy reach.

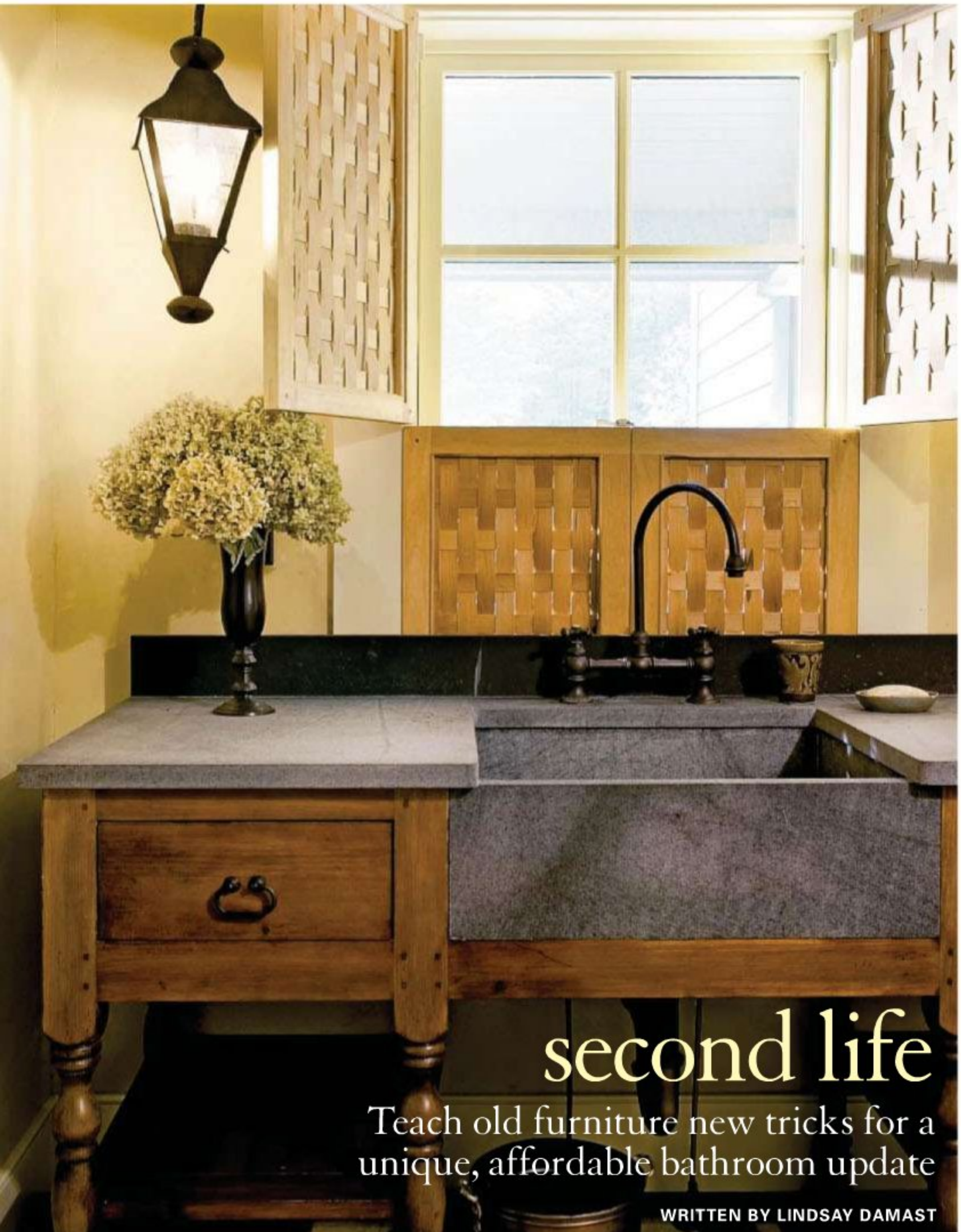
10 **LOOK UP.** If your cabinets don't rise all the way to the ceiling, buy a few matching baskets to place on top of the upper units. Use them to store rarely used small appliances, holiday dinnerware, and specialty baking pans. (Shopping tip: Search for baskets with a tight weave, so the hidden items don't peek through.)

11 **PUT IT ON PLASTIC.** Is there a cabinet or drawer in your kitchen that's overrun with a multitude of plastic food containers? And don't even get us started on the mismatched lids! Sometimes it's best to start fresh. Toss (or better yet, recycle) them all and go for a set that nests to save space. Or, buy multiples of each size so you can stack the containers and never worry about finding the right lid.

12 **SLIDE WITH STYLE.** Install sliding baskets or shelves in lower cabinets to make the most of hard-to-reach space in the back. When you don't have to stoop and strain, you'll find it's a lot easier to keep—and retrieve—large pots, appliances and baking pans in the way, way back. Prices vary, as do materials, which include stainless steel, coated wire and wood.

13 **GET THE HOOKUP.** An inexpensive over-the-door hook creates a handy spot to hang a few aprons.

14 **KICK IT.** Talk to a contractor, cabinetmaker, carpenter or skilled handyman about installing sliding storage in the toekick space under your lower cabinets. It makes a great place to hide a pet's dishes when company comes over. ◆



second life

Teach old furniture new tricks for a unique, affordable bathroom update

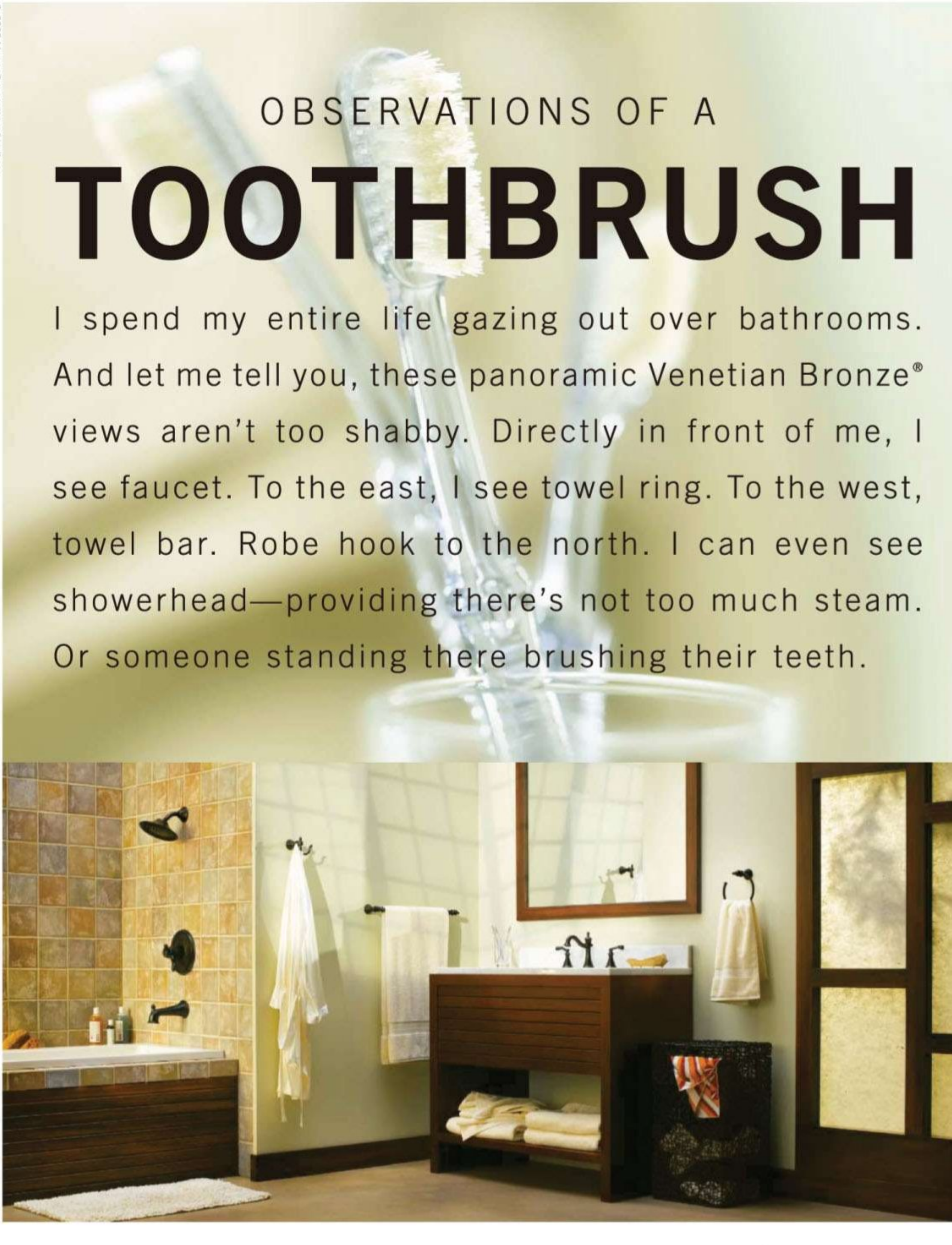
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Tip Sheet

Amy Matthews, host of DIY Network's *Bathroom Renovations* and *Sweaty Equity*, offers her top pointers on tackling this project:

- **Measure five times, buy once.** Make sure you know the exact dimensions of your space and the furniture you are intending to use—not just width and height, but where your plumbing comes out of the wall and floor and would attach inside the unit.
- **Prep the piece.** Find a wood sealant at your local home center that will give your furniture some shine, make it less porous, and protect it from stains and water damage. You can also apply a gel stain with a lint-free cloth to a pre-finished or painted unit to refresh the color, or to give it a slight tint.
- **Top it off.** You'll probably want to purchase some kind of stone, tile or laminate slab that works well in a wet environment. If you choose to keep the wood top, be sure to reinforce it from underneath with furring strips that support both the sink and additional water weight.
- **Mind your plumbing.** Make sure to close shut-off valves beneath your existing sink, turn off the water in the whole house, and then open the sink handle to drain any liquid that remains before removing piping.

Maybe you're ready to add some spice to your sleek, all-white master bath, but investing in eclectic lavatory pieces can set you back several thousand dollars. Whether it's your grandma's French country desk that doesn't look right in your den, or a beautiful sideboard unearthed at a garage sale, old furniture can breathe new life into your bathroom when re-imagined as a vanity. Reuse centers stock plenty of prefinished natural stone pieces that work well as countertops, and many fabricators will fit the sink for you for a small fee. There are many options beyond marble and granite: Consider concrete slabs that can be stained any color, eco-friendly recycled glass or aluminum sheets with a fresh contemporary feel. In addition to saving money, you'll probably gain some more storage space than in a typical vanity, but keep in mind that middle drawers will have to be cut or sealed shut to make room for plumbing. ◆


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bells and whistles

New electronic amenities transform the bath experience

WRITTEN BY BILL PARTSCH



Hiding an LCD monitor behind a hi-tech mirror provides access to news, traffic and weather without tying up scarce bathroom real estate.

Kitchens are family hubs, but bathrooms are more about individual needs. So when it comes to state-of-the-art technology in the bath, the most impressive examples are those that reimagine standard hygiene and relaxation rituals and do so in a way that truly improves people's bathroom experiences—because everyone uses a bathroom everyday.

One of the few technology carryovers from the kitchen to the bath is the TV. The bathroom is a great spot for the daily dose of weather and news, since most people spend much of their morning prep time there. Given the size of the room, a small screen is in order; even better is a TV behind a mirror that's visible only when it's switched on.

Faucets that turn on and off via an electronic eye have been in commercial restrooms for years, but now optical sensors have found their way into many bathroom products. They're available in a host of snappy, decidedly noninstitutional styles for the home. Sensors have made their way into ventilation fans, too. Panasonic's WhisperGreen runs at a constant low speed, then kicks up to a higher speed when it senses motion. "It doesn't have a switch or anything, which some people are nervous about," says Heidi Weeda, a designer at Custom Kitchens & Baths in Oakland, California, "but its slow speed just keeps the air moving, so in bathrooms that don't get used much, the air doesn't sit and get stale."

Like television in the bath, these products take existing technology and move it wholesale into another venue. As with consumer electronics, the advances that are truly game-changing are those that fundamentally alter the way people interact with products they take for granted.

An illustrative example is TiVo. Those who have never used the device may dismiss it as a glorified VCR, but once they experience it, people find it completely changes the way they watch television. TiVo pioneered the DVR, or digital video recorder, and has even become a verb, as in, "I have to TiVo Letterman tonight."

Two recent efforts to spur the technological evolution of indoor plumbing are Kohler's DTV II shower and Toto's Neorest toilet. The DTV—which, despite its name, does not include television among its features—adds steam, chromatherapy lighting and digital audio to a shower that can include multiple heads and body sprays.



The latest luxury shower systems let users control shower and steam heads, body sprays, lighting and audio from a single panel.

The shower's benefits (DTV stands for Digital Thermostatic Valve, by the way) go beyond a deluge of water, however. For one thing, the numerous showerheads are operated from a single computerized panel rather than up to eight mechanical controls. "Homeowners were designing increasingly elaborate showers that created these cluttered environments," says Michael Wandschneider, a senior product manager at Kohler. Also, the control panel not only runs every aspect of the system, it can recall frequently used settings. "You can program which outlets you want on, whether you want them pulsing, and combine that with chromatherapy," Wandschneider says. As for audio, "If you're a Vivaldi person, it calls up Vivaldi. If you're in more of a hurry, it calls up local weather and traffic and just a basic shower. Everything is available at the simple press of a button."

All this technology needs to blend into an attractive environment. To this end, Kohler designed the DTV-II's speakers to resemble the wall-mounted body sprays and paid special attention to the ceiling light. The product team used an extra-large overhead light panel, Wandschneider says, to create the illusion that the ceiling has disappeared.

The music module has the flexibility to pipe in audio from a computer (Windows or Mac) or connect directly to a digital audio player.

Toto's Neorest toilet also aims to transform a most basic bathroom activity. More than a mere water closet, the product includes the company's specialized heated toilet seat with a warm water spray and air dryer for hygiene.

Far more intriguing is the Neorest's sensor technology, which addresses issues most everyone can relate to. When a person approaches the commode, the lid rises. If necessary, the seat can be raised with the press of a single button, but that's the only decision a user needs to make, as the toilet then lowers the lid and flushes automatically when the person walks away. "It's auto aware," says Lenora Campos, public relations manager at Toto USA. "It responds to you."

As with the DTV, the Neorest piles on features. Its specialized flushing system does not require a tank, which provides the added benefit of making the fixture itself extraordinarily sleek. The unit offers a dual-flush option—either 1.6 or 1.2 gallons—and a remote control. And although the toilet requires an electric hookup, it's energy smart, thanks to a computer brain. "When it's not used for a while, it goes into sleep mode," Campos says. "It learns your patterns and reeducates itself."

The exhaustive feature sets on both DTV II and Neorest help justify their luxury price tags. If either fails to demonstrate its worth to early adopters, it will fizzle. On the other hand, if these products satisfy early customers, they could indeed revolutionize the bathroom. Just look at TiVo. ◆

must-have

The battery that powers this faucet's electronic sensors recharges via a tiny internal turbine generator every time the water runs.

Toto Axiom EcoPower sensor faucet. From $947. 888-295-8134; *totousa.com*.



OUR FAVORITE

kitchen stools

Get a leg up on style with these pretty perches for counters and islands

WRITTEN BY CARLA JORDAN



TOTALLY STACKED

With sleek tubular-steel frame and leather seat and back, Italian-made Giulietta is a small-space beauty because it's designed to store one atop the other. Available in three colors (avocado shown). $140. 800-944-2233; *dwr.com*.



LOOKS DECEIVE

Dainty Cendy is made tough with a tight-woven ergonomic rattan and a durable steel frame. $40 800-434-4532; *ikea.com*.



ORANGE CRUSH

We're head over heels about the cheery Flower Stool with its sinuous seat shape and chrome steel base with push-lever lift. $99. 877-938-7929, *eurway.com*.



GOOD TASTE

The rich hues of the Toffee Leather stool make us yearn for snack time. $199. 800-245-4595; *pier1.com*.



OLD SCHOOL

The painted finish, comfy woven seat and turned hardwood frame of the farmhouse-inspired Rush Seat Stool are timeless. Seven colors, french blue shown. $130. 800-494-7544; *plowhearth.com*. ◆

GET THE LOOK

cool contrast

A small space makes a big impression in classic black-and-white

WRITTEN BY RACHEL YOUNG



style notes

WORK OF ART
A striking range hood is a natural focal point. The subtle curves of the model in this kitchen is like a modern sculpture.

THINK BIG
Accessories seemingly at odds with the scale of the space, like these extra- long drawer pulls, make a strong statement.

MAKE A SPLASH
White marble counters stain easily. A marble tile backsplash provides the same earthy elegance with less worry.

TALL ORDER
A gooseneck faucet looks graceful and is also functional: The arched neck leaves plenty of space for washing big pieces.









STYLISH STOOL
Folio Collection barstool, $299 for 30-inch size. 800-967-6696; *crateandbarrel.com*.

PULL IT OFF
Spritz pull in stainless steel, $18.50 for 8-inch size. 800-816-0969; *restorationhardware.com*.

WHITE LIGHT
Particle Collection mini-pendant, $90. 800-782-1967; *lampsplus.com*.

GET YOUR GOOSE
Ashfield 4-hole faucet in satin nickel, $340. 800-732-8238; *pricepfister.com*.



town and country

This comfy kitchen pairs cottage-style cabinets with urban accents



style notes

A PLACE FOR EVERYTHING
Banish countertop clutter by storing appliances in a rolltop cabinet. Make a home for seasonal items under bench seats.

TAKE A SEAT
Kitchen lack a breakfast nook? Create a cozy seating area by using an oversize island as the back wall for a banquette.

POT SHOTS
Tall potted plants are a bold addition to a countertop. Next to a window, they blur the boundary between outside and in.

OPEN UP
A collection of vases or attractive serving pieces adds personality and visual interest when displayed high up in open shelves.









TURN IT ON
Victorian faucet in Brilliance stainless, $420. 800-345-3358; *deltafaucet.com*.

MAIN SQUEEZE
Metrokane Chrome Mighty OJ citrus juicer, $50. 800-663-8810; *cooking.com*.

MELLOW YELLOW
Enamel teakettle in Curry Yellow, $100. 800-365-4354; *chantal.com*.

GET STUFFED
Caney teak pillow, $60. 800-967-6696; *crateandbarrel.com*. ◆



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kitchen storage upgrades

WRITTEN BY JEANNIE MATTEUCCI



BEFORE: Cramped and difficult to maneuver, the old kitchen had open shelves that exposed clutter.

AFTER: Located on the top floor of a landmark downtown building, the now 111-square-foot open kitchen gives the family a reason to eat at home.

1 maximizing space

Bill and Linda Lunn have a spacious kitchen in their Fort Lauderdale, Florida, home, but the tiny 50-square-foot kitchen in their Boston pied-à-terre was a tight fit. “Storage was just some open shelves and some drawers,” says Linda. The couple wanted a more user-friendly kitchen with better storage and upgraded appliances. They asked Jeff Swanson, owner of the Boston firm Renovation Planning, to help them rejuvenate the room. “It was all about squeezing as much as possible into a small space,” says the designer, who removed walls to open up the kitchen to the dining and living rooms, gaining access to natural light and outside views. Raising the ceiling to 10 feet made all three areas feel more spacious. Semicustom painted wood cabinets replaced the simple open shelves. Two blind-corner cabinets have a wire basket system for easy access. “This kitchen is an example of urban design that uses every inch of space,” says Swanson.

IN THE DETAILS

- **APPLIANCES** In addition to the glass-front refrigerator that reminds Bill of his time in the restaurant industry, the couple now have a smooth cooktop, large oven and undercounter microwave.
- **COUNTERTOPS** Bill and Linda choose a rich-looking chocolate-brown granite for their countertops. “It provides a nice contrast for the lighter cabinets and picks up the dark glass used in the oven and refrigerator door,” says Swanson, who used sand-tone subway tiles for the backsplash to play off the dark counters.
- **FLOORING** Linda originally wanted marble floors. “But Boston is chilly nine months out of the year and that marble can get cold. We talked about oak and decided it would be a softer, warmer solution,” says Swanson.
- **PENINSULA** The peninsula divides the kitchen from the dining area, but has stools, so Linda can entertain while she cooks. Its shapely design mirrors the curves of a nearby window seat. →

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2 make room for baby

With plans to start a family, a young professional couple turned to designer Jeff Swanson to help them create a child-friendly kitchen in their large turn-of-the-century home on the edge of Boston. "The appliances were old, there was poor counter space and they definitely needed more storage," says Swanson. Removing walls between the 211-square-foot kitchen and an adjacent walk-in closet allowed Swanson to create a more open 364-square-foot space. Many of the details—including quarter-sawn oak cabinets, contrasting distressed-black built-in hutches and the decorative legs on the new center island—reflect the Arts and Crafts style the couple favors. Swanson varied the heights of the cabinets to deal with a ceiling that is tucked under the angled eaves of the home. Special features like a spice drawer, roll-out shelves, tray dividers, wine cubbies and extra-deep cabinets give the couple all the storage solutions they craved.

IN THE DETAILS

- **BACKSPLASH** The homeowners selected butter-yellow subway tiles mixed with a contrasting border of green, blue, red and yellow tiles for the backsplash. "The border helped us select the warm yellow we used for the walls," says Swanson.
- **LIGHTING** Wanting to give the family ambient, decorative and task lighting, Swanson included undercabinet lights, recessed halogen cans and hanging Arts and Crafts–look pendants over the island and sink area. "The whole room just glows," he says.
- **WORK ZONES** The kitchen's primary work triangle incorporates the sink and dishwasher located in the center island, the pro-style refrigerator and range top. A prep zone with its own disposer and pull-out trash bins was added to the garden window area. The counter between the wall oven and sink serves as the kitchen's baking area.



BEFORE: The simple cabinets in the old kitchen had clean lines that didn't match the home's traditional architecture.

AFTER: New cabinets make the most of the peaked ceiling, and an island adds even more counter and storage space.





BEFORE: With an old linoleum floor and worn cabinets, the old 250-square-foot kitchen was a prime candidate for a major makeover. "There was just not enough storage," says designer Tineke Triggs.

AFTER: Now 350 square feet, the kitchen has a peninsula with deep drawers and pull-outs for a mixer and food processor. "The idea was to enclose the kitchen a bit and make it more intimate," says Triggs.

3 storage in the city

Moving from the suburbs into the city, Jeff Houston quickly realized his new condo in San Francisco's Russian Hill neighborhood presented some challenges. "I loved the location of the building, but the layout of the space was problematic," says Jeff. The kitchen had limited storage and no formal place to eat. Jeff asked designer Tineke Triggs, founder of Artistic Designs for Living in San Francisco, to redesign the space. Removing the laundry room and pantry closet off the back of the kitchen and opening up the wall allowed Triggs to create a 6-foot-wide opening between the kitchen and adjacent hallway to improve traffic flow. The kitchen's beechwood cabinets, which Triggs ran all the way up to the ceiling, have inset doors and a dark ebony finish. "I wanted something that seemed urban but reflected the historic value of the building," says Jeff. A bank of drawers to the right of the range has spice and utility racks with designated drawers for cutlery. A wine refrigeration unit, pro-style range and improved lighting are three other reasons Jeff now enjoys spending time in his kitchen. ◆

IN THE DETAILS

- **COUNTERS** Chosen to go with the room's overall color scheme, a medium-tone tan Sienna marble with veins of rust replaces the kitchen's worn laminate countertops. "We wanted something that would complement the brick wall," says Triggs.
- **TILE BACKSPLASH** Triggs chose a ceramic tile that has a gloss but looks like brick. "I didn't want it to be so rustic—I wanted it a bit more refined," she says.
- **FLOORING** Triggs stained the new hardwood oak floor a warm mocha color. "It's not as dark as the cabinets, but has a rich feel," says Triggs. "Because the kitchen is open to the hallway, the oak also made it all blend together."

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kitchens

Open shelving or closed cabinets? Walk-in or pull-out pantry? The right storage plan can transform the way your kitchen works for you.



A variety of storage solutions makes this open-plan kitchen a showcase

IN PLAIN SIGHT



In a room where wall storage is a necessity, clerestory windows help prevent a claustrophobic feeling. The treetop views they frame also reinforce the material connection between the all-wood kitchen and its surroundings.

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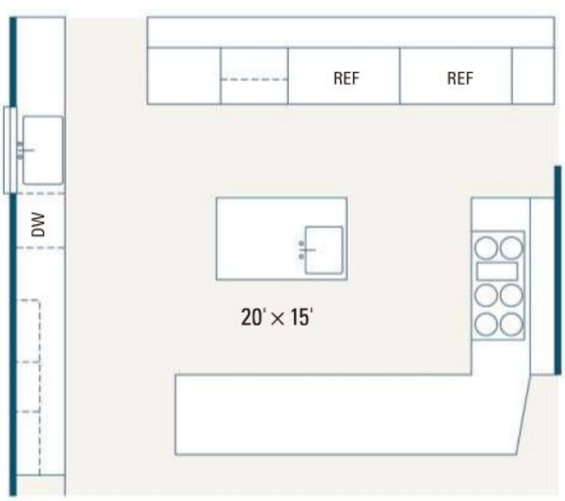
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Take one pair of doting grandparents. Add 18 grandchildren of toddler to college age—and all their parents. Sprinkle in a wide variety of friends. Mix in a careful and versatile design, and it's the perfect recipe for a kitchen in a contemporary home in the Connecticut woods.

"This is a second home, and the owners wanted a kitchen that was formal enough for large catered parties yet casual enough for the grandkids to come, sit on a bar stool at the counter and grab a quick bite," says architect Lisa Gray, of New Haven, Connecticut–based Gray Organschi Architecture, who designed the three-level house on the side of a hill. "It's like a sophisticated tree house."

The 300-square-foot, free-flowing kitchen is ideal for the style of entertaining the owners enjoy. One end of the room sits on-grade, and so facilitates easy carting of groceries from the car, while the other end opens onto an elevated grassy courtyard and kitchen garden, where fresh herbs await picking. The space adjoins a formal living room dominated by a stone fireplace that's nearly big enough to stand up in.

The kitchen's simple style, which includes birch plywood cabinets, Chinese limestone flooring and cast-concrete countertops, was designed to emphasize the openness of the architecture. An illuminated glass backsplash adds more task lighting where it's needed. A wall of shimmering mosaic tiles in orange, sienna and ochre forms a graphic backdrop for the cooktop, and a sliding birch door connected to this wall hides the kitchen from guests when dinner parties are in full swing.



Opening onto adjoining dining and family areas, the square footage of the kitchen virtually doubles. The long peninsula demarcates cooking from socializing spaces.

FLOOR PLAN: STEVEN STANKIEWICZ



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A freestanding wall behind the cooktop preserves the open quality of the kitchen and introduces an element of architectural sculpture to the space.



OPPOSITE: On th
island, drawer
cupboards and shelve
fit together like piece
of a Japanese woode
puzzle; they are as muc
a design element as the
are storage feature

ABOVE: Counters and sinks in the kitchen are cast of a continuous pour of concrete. An appealingly rough-and-ready material, it complements the basic birch Plywood cabinetry in the room.

Several styles of storage space add visual interest to the room. On the exterior wall overlooking the woods and pond, base cabinets provide drawer storage with open shelves and glass-fronted cabinets on the wall above. "We used frosted glass because we didn't want items inside to have to be perfectly arranged," Gray says. "This helps because it's a big kitchen, and we wanted it to be clear where everything is stored. We also varied the size of the storage drawers so the owners could better remember where things are put away."

The kitchen, which is stylish without looking conventional, really springs to life, Gray says, "when the fire is going, the children are playing, the guests are mingling in the living room and the cook is at the sink working and looking out at the pond."

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design points

PUT 'ER THERE Custom-fitted drawers are de rigueur in a kitchen that's expected to serve many people. To handle large family gatherings efficiently, everything—from teaspoons to roasting pans—should be stowed with precision.

RECESSED RELIEF An alcove next to the double wall ovens can act as either an auxiliary set-down area (the island is in front of the ovens) or as a display niche.

DO AN END RUN For convenience, and to avoid foot-traffic snarls in the kitchen, some storage can be accessed from outside the kitchen. Open shelves at the end of cabinet runs are great space-stretchers.

EXTRA TEXTURE On the side of the peninsula that faces the dining area, using perforated wooden screen maintains the materials palette but adds a bit of unexpected visual interest.

SHELF SERVICE Simple, shapely dishware is a pleasure to look at when framed by fixed shelves of varying sizes. Frosted glass doors obscure the less-than-perfect items. ◆









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STRATEGIC PLANNiNG

Careful design extends the reach—and resources—of a galley kitchen

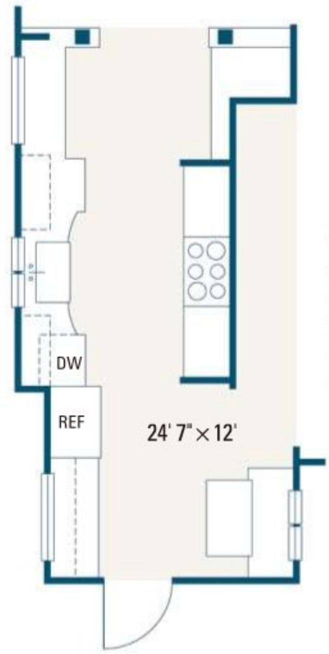


A modest expansion on the rear and side of the house lets this kitchen—and its occupants—breathe; new windows brighten the room. A linoleum floor ties the space together in an understated way.

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FLOOR PLAN: STEVEN STANKIEWICZ

What had been a cul-de-sac of a floor plan is now inviting and visually open, thanks to new windows and the strategic insertion of a destination dining nook that draws people through the space.

David and Monica Stephenson fell in love with the forthright detailing and gracious rooms of their circa 1918, three-bedroom Arts and Crafts house in the Queen Anne neighborhood of Seattle. There was just one problem: The galley kitchen was dark and cramped. "We bought the house with the intention of redoing the kitchen, and we lived with the existing space for two years while we drew up our wish list for the new one," Monica says. "We wanted to honor the integrity of the Craftsman style, but also open the kitchen up to the rest of the house." To help achieve the kitchen they envisioned, the couple enlisted the designer Kevin Price, of J.A.S. Design-Build in Seattle.

To create a workable plan, Price added 81 square feet to the room, bringing it to a total area of 231 square feet. One side of the house was cantilevered 18 inches over a new support joist, and the rear wall was pushed eight feet into the backyard. The interior of the kitchen was gutted down to the studs.

"The new plan was laid out in three zones, respecting the Craftsman ideal of making every square inch of space functional," Price says. In the middle of the kitchen, the generous work area is highlighted by the panel-front refrigerator, an under-counter microwave/convection

Custom cabinets of different depths allow versatile storage. The top of the appliance garage extends into an unusual overhang; Craftsman style is not without its quirks.

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LEFT: Slabs of cherry wood top the trestle table and bench seat. Also recalling the Craftsman aesthetic: the forged window hardware.



RIGHT: Tucked in back of the paneled refrigerator, a built-in desk is a convenient hub for family business.

oven, an apron sink, and a pro-style gas range. Off the dining room, a butler's pantry and a bar establish a service area that is a transitional zone framed by new columns and wainscoting. The final zone at the rear features a dining nook with a custom table and bench, plus a nearby built-in desk and storage creating a home office. New French doors open into a family room that was adapted from an existing bedroom, while new casement windows bring the outdoors in.

Throughout the kitchen, pale green painted cabinets are fitted with oil-rubbed bronze hardware, which complements black granite countertops. Wainscoting and contoured wood shelf brackets enhance the straightforward Craftsman style. The range features a curved stainless steel hood that "creates a visual hearth," Monica says. A mix of glass-front and panel-front doors of different sizes adds interest to the cabinetry. Reproduction light fixtures enhance the period style. The Stephensons also selected a linoleum floor that anchors the vintage look while standing up to the traffic from their two dogs.

"Before, the kitchen was closed off from the rest of the house," Monica says. "Now there is a relationship and flow between the kitchen—not just to the adjoining rooms, but to the outdoors, as well."

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design points

Practitioners of Craftsman style (sometimes called Mission or Arts and Crafts, depending on what part of the country we're in) were fond of built-in storage, and frequently designed charming nook-and-cranny installations, as well as more substantial catchalls as inglenooks and shelves. This Seattle kitchen is filled with contemporary interpretations of cabinet-based storage.

AN APPLIANCE GARAGE keeps small but heavy or bulky equipment like food processors, stand mixers or coffee makers at counter level, but concealed. If building codes allow, an electrical outlet inside the garage is a handy idea.

SOLID WALL SHELVES bracketing the range provide a point to create a variation on the design of the enclosed cabinetry.

A COMPOSITION IN CABINETS enlivens the kitchen with its studied mix of boxed-in and open storage, glass-front and solid doors and carefully crafted proportions.

BENCH STORAGE capitalizes on the opportunity presented by the large, long empty space formed by the built-in seating. A drawer is more practical to operate than a flip-up lid. ◆







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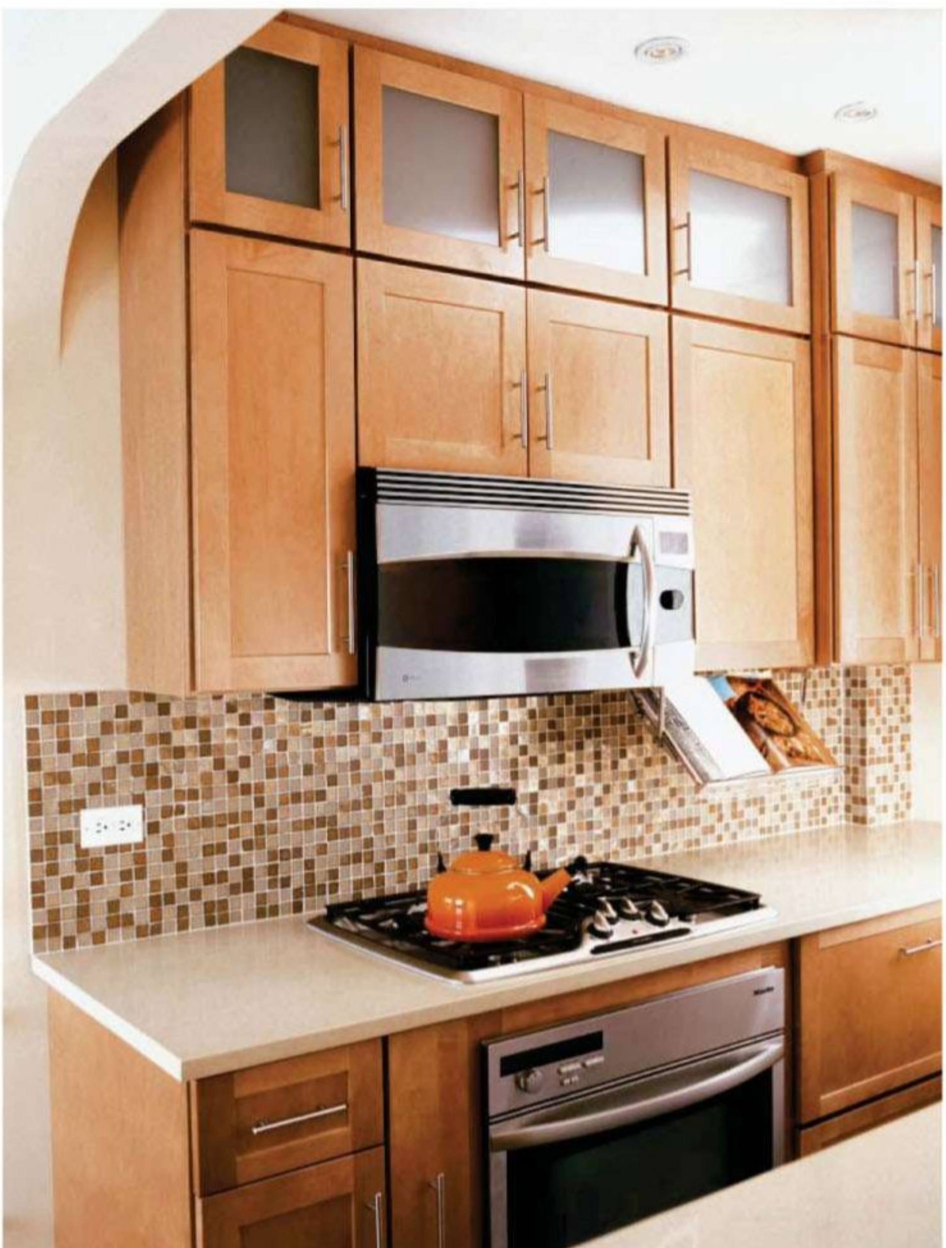




A battery of smart cabinet inserts and organizers expand a kitchen's capacity

CUSTOM FIT

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Bumped from the top of the To Do list b
more pressing household matters, man
exhausted spaces linger past their shelf lif
"I lived with my old kitchen for a very lon
time," says Julie Morgenstern, a profes
sional organizer with a home in a prewa
New York City apartment building
Originally, she had decided to hold off o
redoing the kitchen and renovate th
bathroom first, "but the cabinets wer
driving me out of my mind." They wer
layered with coat upon coat of peelin
paint, and "were positioned a little to
high for my reach." Old appliances and a
awkward layout didn't help matters.

Working with Leah Beckman, produ
designer for Diamond Cabinets, she foun
subtle ways of transforming a dead-en
kitchen that measured a little more tha
77 square feet into a fully functional spac
just under 90 square feet—still compac

LEFT: Morgenstern preferred pairing a cooktop and wall oven to installing an all-in-one range. "It was an aesthetic decision," sh says. "I didn't want to interrupt the flow of the quartz countertop." Tucked behind the microwave is an exhaust system.

OPPOSITE: The uppermost cabinets are fronted with opaque glass. "These hold seldom-used items," says Morgenstern. "I like the idea of using glass to create lightness without having to worry about what will actually show." The undermount sink and unilever faucet with pullout spray are in brushed stainless steel.

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but far more efficient. Because the kitchen was in a multistory building, removing or shifting walls was out of the question. It was possible, however, to substitute a wide arch for a kitchen door that previously had closed off the space and isolated the cook. "Now," Morgenstern says, "I can be cooking while my guests are at the dining table, and we can talk."

After the kitchen was gutted, Morgenstern focused her organizing skills on gaining more work and storage space without noticeably expanding the footprint. In reconfiguring the room, she and Beckman came up with a wraparound counter, transforming a galley kitchen into a functional U-shape. "My philosophy is that you organize in self-contained activity zones," she says. "Every kitchen should have a food-prep zone where you chop, mix and season, then a cooking zone around the range or cooktop and, finally, a cleanup zone near the sink and dishwasher." Clearly, Morgenstern made sure that all three of the defined zones would fit seamlessly into her remodeled space.

Here's how this feat of design jujitsu took shape. "We were able to take the refrigerator out of the kitchen and build it into an adjacent closet," Beckman says. "Then we placed the microwave over the new cooktop to free up counter space." Adds Morgenstern, "We also appropriated 18 inches from a walk-in closet across the hall to carve out a pantry."

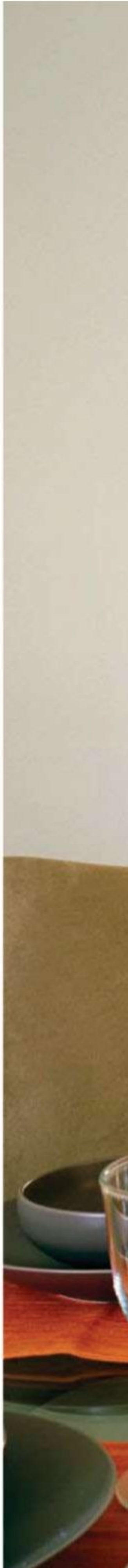
Designing on Paper

The owner/organizer admits to a lot of trial-and-error before the plan was finalized. "I wanted things where I would use them," she says. "At one point, the built-in spice shelves were placed close to the window, at the far end of the kitchen. But we moved them, because I knew I needed to have spices right there in the cooking zone. We also repeatedly moved the dishwasher before we agreed on its ideal location in the plan."

Morgenstern recalls that her primary goal in redoing her kitchen was winning the space game, "creating a sense of openness." She succeeded. "I love the fact that my kitchen is now so beautifully integrated into my living and dining areas."



Key to this kitchen's efficiency are three dedicated work zones: prep, cooking and clean-up tasks are each supported by cabinet configuration and appliance location.



Refinished hardwood flooring in the dining area stops at the kitchen's arched opening, where the floor is cork, a natural, sustainable product. The quartz countertop under the window, linking the two sides, turns what was a galley kitchen into a usable U-shape plan.

FLOOR PLAN: STEVEN STANKIEWICZ

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design points

The clever, considered use of cabinet inserts and organizers can radically increase the amount of storage in any kitchen. Here's the scoop on how this approach was implemented in this tiny galley:

EVERY INCH COUNTS Invaluable space stretchers, base-cabinet filler units are measured in three-inch increments. That's just the right size to hold jars of cooking condiments. Locate them flanking the cooktop or range for optimal convenience.

TRAY SIMPLE For muffin pans, cookie sheets, trays and folding cooling racks, vertical storage is preferable to the flat, horizontal variety. In this kitchen, they have a special home in glide-out slots near the oven.

IN PLAIN SIGHT The pantry, installed in a space once occupied by a walk-in closet, has three stationary shelves and two shelves that roll out. Less frequently used items are stored in the closed-door cupboard below.

A PLACE FOR EVERYTHING A pull-down cookbook holder not only conserves counter area, but it helps keep the book's pages spatter-free. Spice shelves are built into the back of the door of the same wall cabinet. This brings the contents of the cupboard to the user—much more convenient than rummaging around for that bottle of nutmeg that migrated to the far recesses of the cabinet.

SHARP IDEA Knife storage and a cutting board reside behind a base cabinet's tilt-down top drawer front. Each unit slides out and can be used independently of the other. ◆

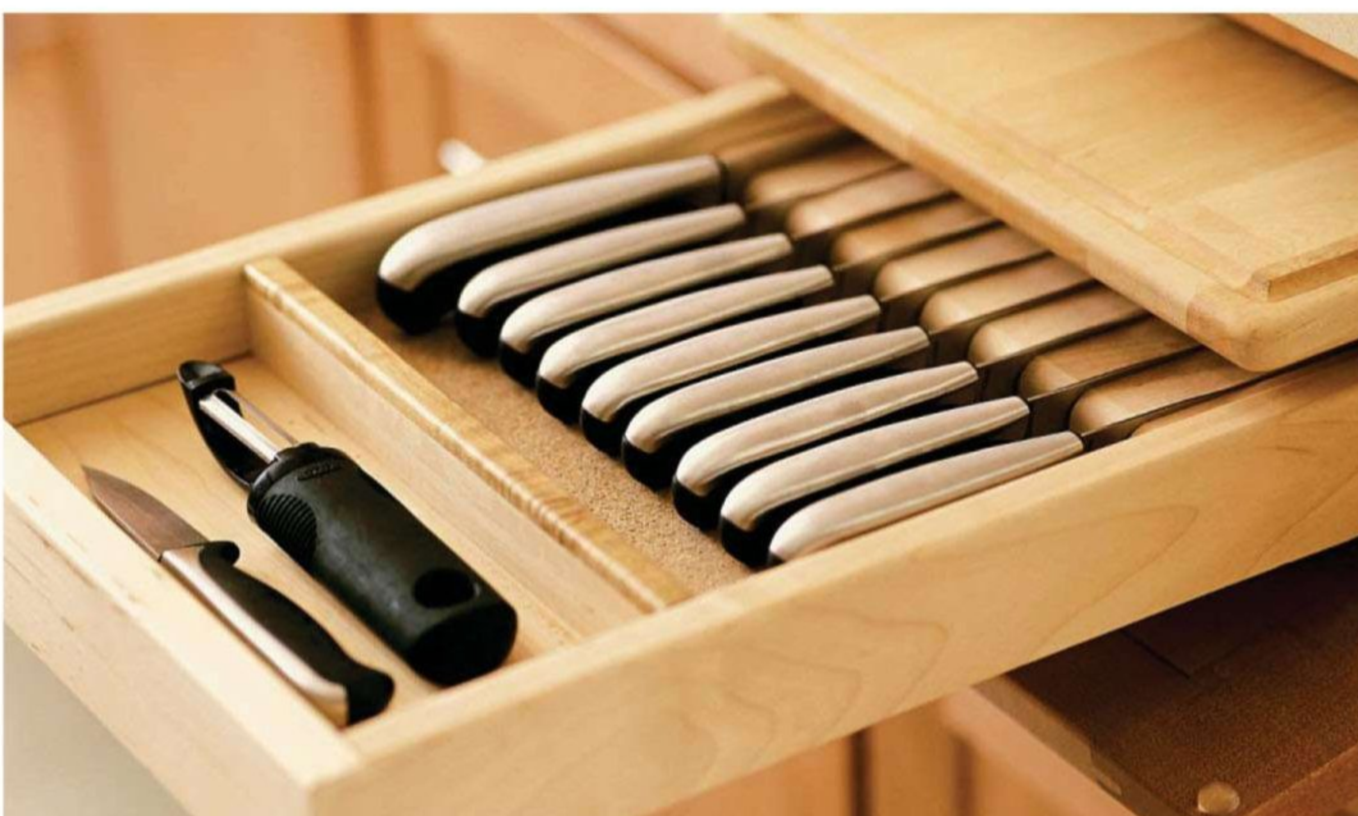








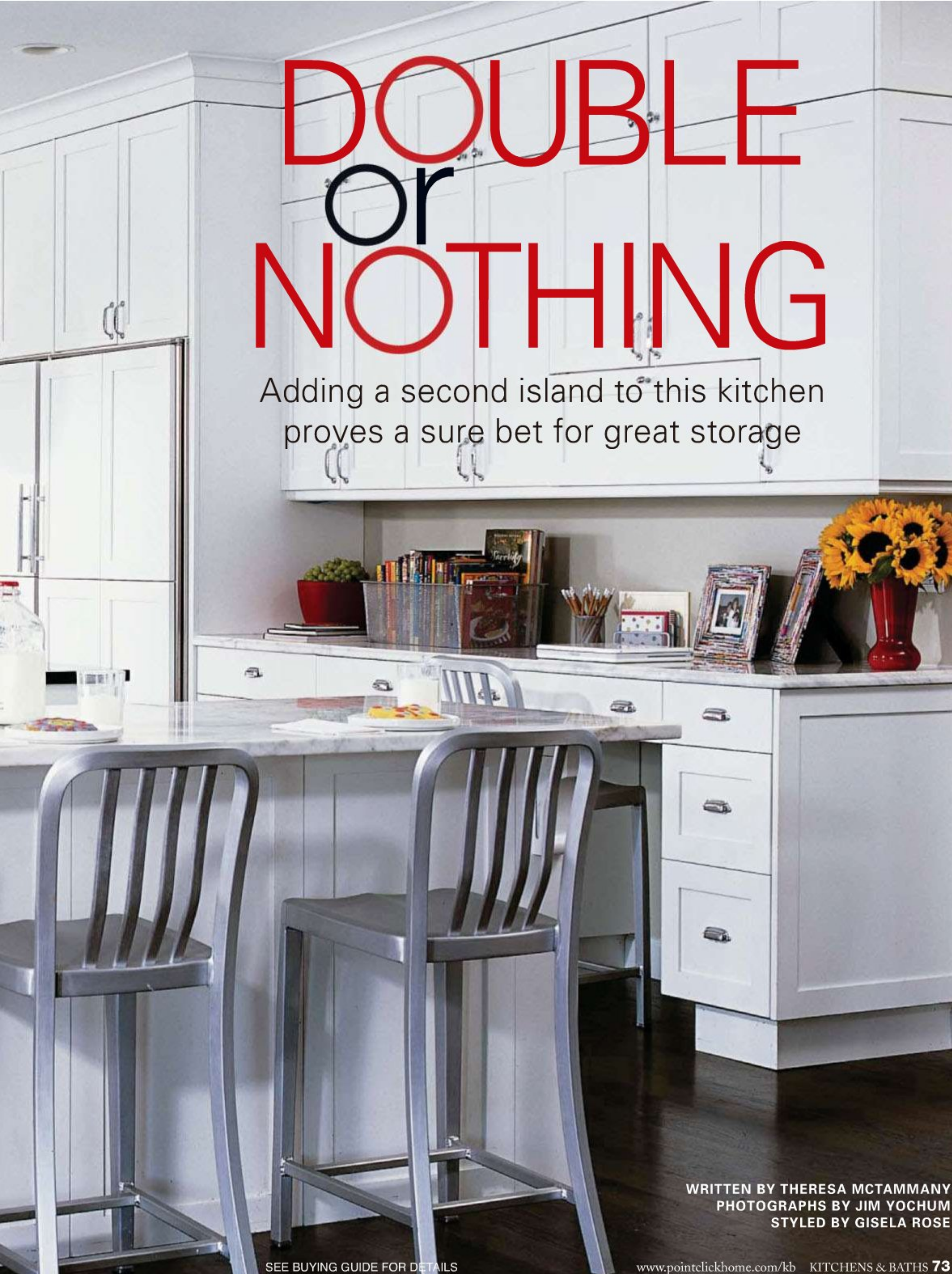




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A freestanding counter—you could certainly call it a secondary island—screens this large kitchen off from the rest of the house without isolating it. Primarily a place for casual meals, it also supplies plenty of storage.



DOUBLE or NOTHING

Adding a second island to this kitchen proves a sure bet for great storage

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Forming the solid core of the kitchen, the central island is generously sized; it's an ideal spot to lay out an informal buffet, as well as an expansive prep location that can easily handle food for a crowd.

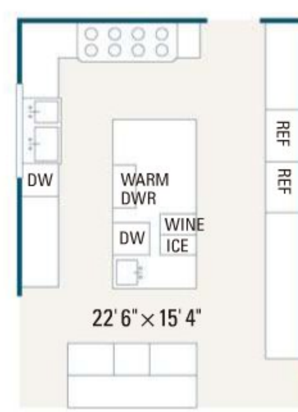
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Chalk it up to growing pains. When interior designer Kiki Luthringshausen learned she was pregnant with her fourth child, she and husband Vincent Florack faced an important decision. Should they stay put and remodel their 10-year-old home, or flee the familiar west-Chicago suburb and buy a larger house somewhere else?

Rather than uproot the family, the couple opted to remodel—with Kiki at the design helm. "I was ready for my dream kitchen," says the designer, a self-described foodie and talented cook whose skill and creativity routinely dazzle family and friends. Although she admits there was nothing seriously wrong with the 440-square-foot space, the expanding family (and guest list) necessitated additional space for prep and storage, plus a larger dining area. "After doing other people's kitchens for the past 11 years, it was time to do mine," she says.

Inspired by the straightforward style that characterizes 19th century service kitchens, she created a symmetrical floor plan anchored by two islands. She then borrowed freely from the past: adopting a classic black-and-white palette, fitted floor-to-ceiling cabinets, no-nonsense stainless steel fixtures and ebony-stained hardwood floors. "I loved the look but wanted to make it my own," she says of her decision to pair luxe materials—thick slabs of white Calcutta marble and ebony

FLOOR PLAN: STEVEN STANKIEWICZ



Appliances are positioned around the perimeter of the kitchen—range on one wall, refrigerators and sink on two others—which encourages the simple action of turning to the island for prep chores.



LEFT: Framed by a pass-through to the adjoining dining room, the sink is fitted with a residential version of the coil-wrapped prerinse faucet that's typically found in restaurants and commercial kitchens.

OPPOSITE: The in kitchen desk is built at stool-height, so seating can be swapped with that of the breakfast bar.

granite—with simple commercial appliances and fixtures like her favorite faucet, a practical prerinse model employed by restaurant kitchens. Eclectic decorative elements, including a pair of kitschy globe lights that illuminate the main island, also factor into the mix.

Standard appliances were exchanged for pro-style versions, including a 60-inch range equipped with a double griddle, which sees action each Saturday when pancakes appear on the menu. "The kids love it," says Kiki, who enjoys cooking for her children and their pals on weekends. "No one ever leaves the table hungry."

The U-shaped configuration features two islands: a granite-topped workhorse more than two and a half times larger than the original which handles prep and entertaining chores, and a second, peripheral unit that provides pull-up seating for casual meals. Equipped with a small fridge stocked with juice boxes and fruit, it allows easy access to snacks while keeping the kids away from the principal work zone.

Counters remain free and clear thanks to meticulously planned storage. Each cabinet and drawer is content-specific right down to the large dish cupboard positioned low so the children can easily retrieve plates, cups and cutlery needed to set the table. A super-sized lazy Susan stows small appliances including a stand mixer, coffee pot and blender.

With the family-friendly space completed, Kiki intends to take on additional home projects. What's up next? "The rest of house," she admits. "The kitchen is finished. But I still don't want anyone to go upstairs!"

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LIVING LARGE: CONVENIENCE AND COSMETICS A kitchen can't rely on the luxury of size to hide any design flaws. Here's how polish meets performance in this busy family kitchen.

FILL 'ER UP Running a cold-water line in the wall behind the range permits the installation of a pot filler at the point of usage. It has shut-off valves both at the wall and at the end of the spigot, and is jointed to fold out of the way.

THINKING TWICE Whenever practical, designer Kiki Luthringshausen doubled up on appliances, explaining that with a large family, "two dishwashers make everything so much easier." The drawer-style appliances can be loaded by children.

HOT TOPIC The microwave often poses a paradox in the kitchen: It's frequently used, so it must be readily accessible—but it's not generally aesthetically worthy of prominent display. Recessing the appliance into an open shelf addresses both issues.

A BEAUTY OF A BREAKFRONT Tall cabinet doors fronted with panels of ribbed glass let color and silhouettes show through. The cupboards nearest the ceiling have lighted interiors, the better to highlight a collection of milk glass that originally belonged to the homeowner's grandmother. ◆







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The stubby peninsula provides more than much-needed counter space: A beverage center sits strategically on its outer face, and it's also home to a special doggie den (opposite) for the household's pups, Max and Maya.



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Every bit of space is put to work in a creative redo of a classic kitchen

WASTE NOT WANT NOT



"How are we going to do all that?" Not the most inspiring of words, but designer Lois Horan, of Crown Point Cabinetry in Claremont, New Hampshire, admits that it's just what she wondered while standing in the tiny kitchen of Gina and Ian Smith's 1920s cottage-style home with their extensive storage wish list in hand. At just 8×14 feet, the space was more aptly sized for a walk-in closet than luxe gourmet kitchen with all the organizational bells and whistles. A classic galley, it consisted of two parallel walls of cabinetry and appliances separated



ABOVE: Homeowner Gina Smith credits contractor Sylvain Côté, of Absolute Remodeling, with keeping the job on schedule and on target.

RIGHT: The refrigerator has three spacious compartments that help fulfill the demands of cooking for both family and friends.

OPPOSITE: A trio of glass squares is inset into the lip of the range hood, which, like the rest of the cabinetry, is made of quarter-sawn oak.



by a walkway to an outdated bathroom on one end and an outdoor deck on the other. Over the sink was the room's only window, which directly faced the kitchen doorway, shining light into the adjacent dining room instead of keeping it where it was needed most. Over the years, updates had been limited to faux-wood flooring, paint and stainless appliances. Storage was confined to generic utilitarian cabinets with limited shelving and narrow drawers. With one 3-year-old son (and a second child on the way) and two lively dachshunds, the kitchen was overflowing with everything from sippy cups to dog-food bags. A change was long overdue.

Quickly, it became apparent that a total renovation was required, so the kitchen was gutted and the bathroom relocated. Away went walls to create a mini–great room and to flood the kitchen with natural light from the nearby dining room and breakfast nook. More challenges arose as existing storage space was swapped for a 48-inch commercial refrigerator and range—items typically more suited to a larger kitchen, but must-haves to these homeowners, who love to entertain. So Horan turned her focus to creating a blend of open, closed and pullout storage elements that would deliver lots of organization within a small footprint.

Clean-lined Arts and Crafts cabinets were installed, anchored by a soapstone-topped peninsula that cleverly created visual separation between rooms while housing a state-of-the-art wine cooler and a cozy canine retreat. In lieu of a walk-in pantry, a reach-in worthy of Julia Child was designed with five hundred-pound-capacity rollout trays to keep sundries, kid's snacks and pet supplies organized and within easy reach. Pullout drawers were chosen, better alternatives than door-front cabinets with deep fixed shelving. Bridging the kitchen and dining area, a custom desk area was designed to double as a serving sideboard during mealtime.

Horan played with light to create the illusion of a larger, brighter space. Above the peninsula floats a cabinet for crystal storage; its glass-paneled side and front doors create a dazzling light effect when light flows through it. Crown molding, installed just below the ceiling, casts a tiny shadow and makes

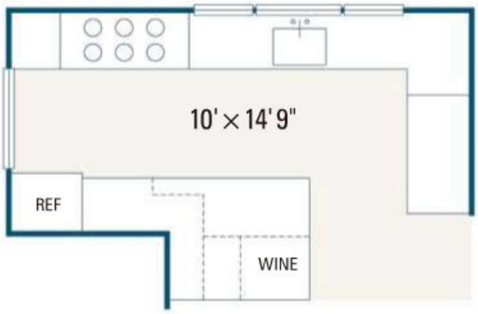
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ceilings seem higher than they are. Recessed can lights keep the ceiling uncluttered, and put light where it's needed most.

Once all the major components were in place, Horan circled back to zero in on every possible inch of remaining storage space, no matter how seemingly insignificant. Around a non-removable pipe that ran up to the second floor, two cabinets were customized with a lazy Susan. To keep spices and oils nearby, can storage was tucked in next to the range. A deeper-than-normal tray was added to the bottom of the pantry cabinet, to hold bags of dog food and small electrics. Above the counter went the microwave, freeing up open display space. Even the breakfast nook, formerly a large closet, added organization to the menu: beneath its banquette seats are pullout drawers for linens, beverages, glassware and toys.

The renovation was completed on schedule—prior to the arrival of the couple's new son—and achieved their goals, according to the satisfied homeowners. "Now the kitchen makes sense and everything flows," says Gina. "We're totally content and never want to leave this house."



FLOOR PLAN: STEVEN STANKIEWICZ

ABOVE: To gain the space needed for the new kitchen, a bathroom and a large closet were demolished. The reworked floor plan functions smoothly and economically.

design points

STAY TRUE TO THE WAY YOU LIVE

Because the kitchen is a hub of constant activity, it's essential that form and function mesh gracefully—especially when it's a small space. The secret to this kitchen's success is in the balance struck between these two elements.

KIDS, CANINES AND THEIR STUFF Concealed storage in the banquette—drawers pull out from under the benches—was originally conceived as a place to put toys and games, but also hold linens and other essentials. Set close to the floor, they are easy for kids to access and operate. In the base of the peninsula, a cupboard space has been customized as a gated pet den, where the family dogs can rest undisturbed without being underfoot.

MAKE EVERY SQUARE INCH COUNT By focusing on the smallest details, these homeowners maxed out their kitchen's storage potential. Rollout tray pantries provide more storage than traditional cabinetry with fixed shelves. A towel rack is slipped into a three-inch opening.

INVEST IN THE BEST Top quality, durable materials may cost more upfront, but over time you'll reap the benefits of not having to replace them due to wear. The cabinets in this kitchen are quarter-sawn oak. Soapstone is used for the counters. It's easily worked, which allows indulgence in such niceties as integral drainboards and rounded edges. ◆





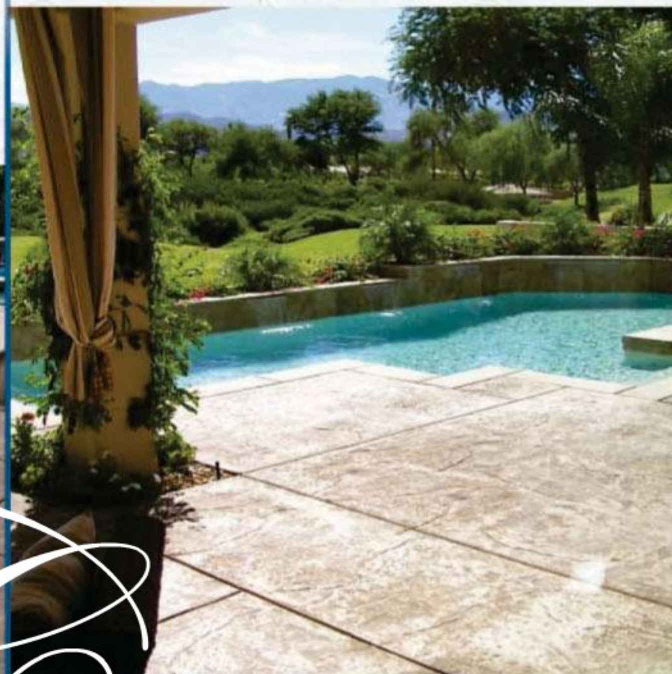


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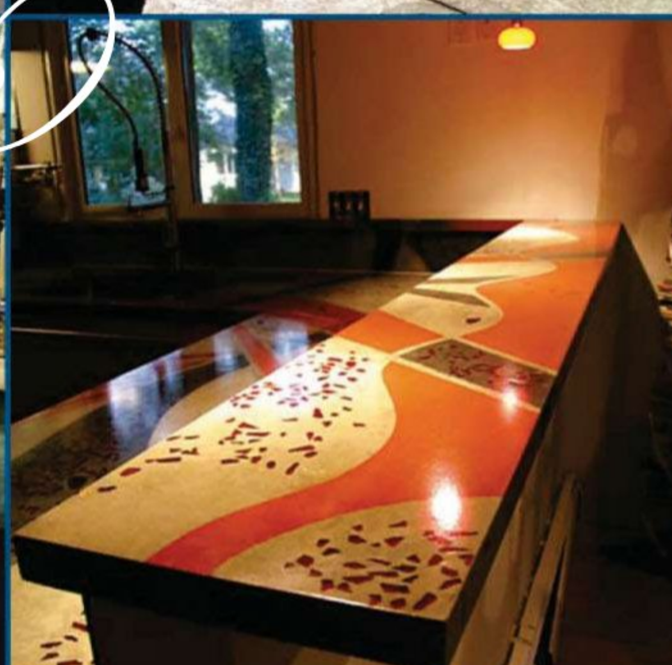
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baths

These baths take the plunge into unabashed glamour—and feature beautiful storage solutions, too.

MODERNE makeover

An alluring bath combines glamour and serenity

When a pair of Seattle empty-nesters asked designer Bonnie Crawford to create a sophisticated and supremely functional master bath, she responded with a luxurious four-star space full of sleek curves, bold contrasts, and a generous dose of Hollywood style. "Glam meets Zen," is how Crawford, ASID, head of the Seattle-based firm BCDInteriors, describes the former mauve-tiled bathroom's transformation from frumpy to fabulous. Among the homeowners' chief complaints was the room's clumsy layout and debilitating lack of storage. "We had to step into the shower sideways," says the wife, explaining how difficult access made the tight quarters feel even more cramped.

Crawford gutted the room down to the studs and reworked the layout, relocating the tub to the vanity area and claiming former closet space for a walk-in shower and separate water closet. She added a sculptural seat in the shower and a pivoting glass door that provides both access and privacy between compartments. Finally, she wrapped the room in a subtle but sophisticated mix of neutral colors.

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STYLED BY MICHELLE CHRISTALLI



LEFT: Enhancing both the luxe ambience of the bath as well a its storage capacity, a chromed occasional table sits tub-side.

OPPOSITE: Bold horizontal stripes of glass tile in subtle iridescent tints stretch the roo spatially and add a glamorous graphic punch to the bathroon

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Teardrop drawer pulls and crystal lav handles recall the boudoirs of classic 1930s Hollywood. More contemporary touches include the backlit mirror and a split-level counter treatment.





Recessing a storage shelf or a display niche above the water closet ensures head clearance without compromising appearance.



A hand-held shower is useful in hosing down the shower stall come cleaning day, as well as being a water-conserving fitting.

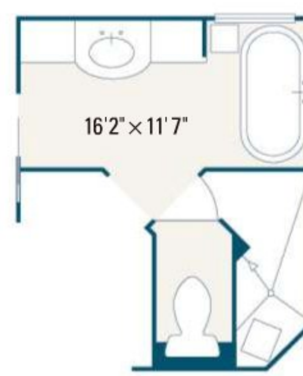


Old fashioned meets newfangled: the antique storage caddy hangs near the clean-lined wall-mounted tub filler.

Center stage is claimed by a glamorous custom vanity, its curvaceous design accented with an application of silver leaf sealed to a diamond-hard finish. The bow-front design effectively triples storage capacity with its deep pull-out drawers designed to accommodate tall containers and beauty items. "I was tired of crawling around on my hands and knees searching for things," says the wife, who also requested the vanity be raised two inches—a more comfortable height for the couple, both of whom are tall. Above the vanity, an expansive backlit mirror reinforces the circular motif and classic Deco design, as well as bearing out Crawford's design decree: "Never bring an item into a room just for function or decoration, unless it contributes significantly to the overall space."

Broad horizontal bands of iridescent glass tile in quiet tones of taupe and ivory distinguish the tub wall; their width and placement are identical to the silk-striped version found in the adjoining master bedroom. The palette of materials—shiny marble counters, matte porcelain tile, frosted glass, stainless steel and bright nickel—partnered with elegant egg-shaped crystal faucet handles and polished nickel escutcheons, exudes luxe and luster. "I like everything to sparkle, at least a little," says Crawford.

While a new skylight provides natural light and additional illumination to combat the gray Seattle skies, the final luxurious touch is one of the owner's favorite features: a radiant-heated floor. In the damp and chilly Pacific Northwest, this is more than just another amenity, it's a necessity that even Fred and Ginger would have insisted on having. "There's nothing quite like it," the owner says of the smooth ceramic surface which emits a comfortable warmth during the long winter. "It's like walking on satin." ◆



The curved front of the vanity helps create additional storage space. With counter area at a premium, his-and-her sinks were exchanged for a single basin.

FLOOR PLAN: STEVEN STANKIEWICZ

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Surprising stowaway storage makes this bath multifunctional

HOLDS EVERYTHING

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Convenience was a top priority when Jay and Betsy Schweppe renovated their master bath. The 275-square-foot space in their 1920s Colonial in Upper Montclair, New Jersey, had to serve not only as a bath, but also as a dressing room.

"Storage was a prime consideration," says Betsy. "We didn't have space in the bedroom for dressers or bureaus, so I wanted to be able to close all the doors and have everything neat and tidy."

To ensure organization, Michael Boyette, of Boyette Kitchens & Baths in Bloomfield, New Jersey, paid special attention in designing traditional-style cabinets that blend with the home's classic architecture. "We didn't move any of the main elements," he says. "We simply maximized the space we had."

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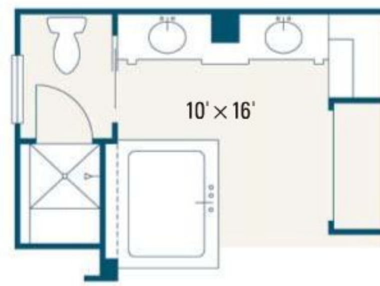


With its generous deck and central location in the bathroom, the tub is a natural place to perch while dressing.



LEFT: A swiveling transom above the frameless door keeps the steam inside the shower enclosure.

OPPOSITE: The organizational options at the vanity would be a dream realized for most families. Open and concealed, drawers, shelves and closets combine in a storage nirvana.



ABOVE: Owing to intelligent fixture placement that frees up the central core of the room, the bath can easily double as a dressing area.

To brighten the room, the walls were painted a soft yellow, the cabinets were painted white to match the home's moldings, and large mirrors were placed over the his-and-hers vanities to reflect the beauty of the solid surfacing countertops. The lighter look continues in banks of drawers augmented with a set of over-counter open shelves and a central glass-fronted storage tower that does double duty as a decorative feature. "With this arrangement, we don't need a stand-alone linen closet, because the towels are arranged on the open shelves," Betsy says.

The room's five closets—which are filled to capacity—were outfitted with built-in drawers, baskets and double rows of hanging rods. A pull-out ironing board, which Betsy requested because





her laundry room is in the basement of the three-story home, makes the space super-efficient. "I use it every day," she says. "I think it is the most wonderful part of the room."

The abundance of bathroom storage freed up floor space in the master bedroom. Accordingly, the Schweppes were able to add a sitting room by placing a pair of club chairs under the bay window.

The jetted soaking tub and the enlarged steam shower complement a bench for resting weary bones. Combined, these contemporary amenities have turned the master suite into a "mini-house within our house," Betsy says.

With all of these changes, the remodel accomplished the Schweppes' primary goals. "I love being able to get to all my stuff easily and quickly," Betsy says. "Every inch is utilized. The organization makes everything very serene and calm." ◆

OPPOSITE: The undermount sink remains immensely popular in bathroom design not only for its seam-free easy-clean contours, but for the subtle (or strong) color contrasts it presents vis-a-vis the counter surface.



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Strategic Planning
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Designer/contractor, JAS Design/Build. ***Range***, Viking. ***Hood***, Vent-a-Hood. ***Microwave***, Sharp. ***Refrigerator***, Viking. ***Sink***, Rohl. ***Faucet***, Kohler. ***Dishwasher***, Bosch. ***Backsplash tile***, Ann Sacks. ***Lighting***, Rejuvenation Hardware. ***Flooring***, Marmoleum, Forbo. ***Cabinet hardware***, Ives. ***Paint***, Sherwin-Williams.

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Contractor, BlueTec Cabinetry. ***Cabinetry***, Diamond. ***Cabinetry organizing system***, Logix from Diamond. ***Cooktop*** and ***oven***, Thermador. ***Microwave***, GE. ***Refrigerator***, Sub-Zero. ***Sink*** and ***faucet***, Moen. ***Dishwasher***, Miele. ***Counter surfacing***, CaesarStone. ***Backsplash tile***, Oceanside Glasstile. ***Paint***, Donald Kaufman Color Collection.

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Designer, Kiki Luthringshausen, K-Haus. ***Contractor***, L. Gruppe. ***Cabinetry***, Lamico. ***Backsplash***, The Fine Line. ***Paint***, Benjamin Moore. ***Range*** and ***hood***, Wolf. ***Refrigerators*** and ***freezer***, Sub-Zero. ***Warming drawer***, Thermador. ***Dishwasher***, Miele. ***Dishwasher drawers***, Fisher & Paykel. ***Microwave***, GE. ***Ice maker*** and ***wine cooler***, Marvel. ***Pot filler***, Grohe. ***Faucet*** and ***soap dispensers***, Dornbracht. ***Lighting***, Artemide. ***Sinks***, Franke.

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Designer, Lois Horan, Crown Point Cabinetry. ***Contractor***, Sylvain Côté, Absolute Remodeling. ***Custom cabinetry***, Crown Point Cabinetry. ***Countertop***, Tulikivi. ***Range***, Blue Star. ***Refrigerator*** and ***wine cooler***, Liebherr. ***Dishwasher***, Fisher & Paykel. ***Microwave***, Wolf. ***Sink***, Franke. ***Faucets***, Barber Wilson's & Company. ***Hood liner***, Vent-a-Hood.

Moderne Makeover
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Designer, BCDG. ***Flooring***, Crossville Tile. ***Paint***, Shitake, C2. ***Wall tile***, ***sink***, ***lavatory***, ***faucets*** and ***shower fittings***, Waterworks. ***Tub*** and ***pedestal***, Sunrise Specialty. ***Toilet***, Toto. ***Counter surfacing***, BCDG. ***Mirror*** and ***shower bench***, through BCDG. ***Lamps***, Robert Abbey. ***Recessed can lights***, Juno Lighting Group. ***Programmable lighting system***, Lutron. ***Bench and drape fabric***, JAB Fabrics, Trammell-Gagné. ***Carpet***, Karastan. ***Vase***, Terris Draheim.

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